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POPULATION

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Date	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
30 June—									
1961(a)	3,918.5	2,930.4	1,527.5	971.5	(b)746.8	350.3	(b)44.5	58.8	10,548.3
1962	3,986.9	2,983.1	1,551.0	987.5	766.0	355.7	46.0	66.2	10,742.3
1963	4,050.0	3,040.8	1,577.9	1,010.7	788.3	360.7	48.5	(c)73.4	10,950.4
1964	4,107.9	3,105.5	1,610.7	1,038.0	808.4	364.3	51.5	(c)80.3	11,166.7
1965	4,175.4	3,164.4	1,644.5	1,067.6	825.5	367.9	53.9	(c)88.5	11,387.7
1966(a)	4,237.9	3,220.2	1,674.3	1,095.0	848.1	371.4	56.5	96.0	11,599.5
1967	4,306.9	3,274.4	1,701.6	1,111.5	876.4	376.4	59.3	(c)103.6	11,810.2
1968	4,381.4	3,323.4	1,732.3	1,125.2	909.4	382.0	64.3	112.8	12,030.8
1969	4,474.8	3,384.1	1,768.0	1,144.4	946.4	388.5	68.0	(c)122.0	12,296.3
31 March—									
1970p	4,558.0	3,439.7	1,794.7	1,160.9	975.5	392.2	71.0	130.6	12,522.4

(a) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (b) Includes an estimate of full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census. (c) Based on Population Count of Canberra.

VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriage registrations (a)	Birth registrations (a)	Death registrations (a)	Natural increase (a)(b)	Net overseas migration gain(c)	Population(d)—	
						Increase (e)	At end of period
Quarterly average						('000)	('000)
1959-60	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54.6	10,275.0
1960-61	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58.3	(f)(g)10,548.3
1961-62	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	48.5	10,742.3
1962-63	20,180	58,680	23,309	35,351	17,431	52.0	10,950.4
1963-64	20,610	58,138	24,425	33,713	21,102	54.1	11,166.7
1964-65	22,570	56,018	25,156	30,862	25,139	55.2	11,387.7
1965-66	23,781	55,638	25,175	30,463	23,097	53.0	(f)11,599.5
1966-67	24,496	57,052	26,307	30,745	21,844	52.7	11,810.2
1967-68	25,628	57,991	26,167	31,824	23,340	55.2	12,030.8
1968-69	27,408	61,805	27,045	34,760	31,606	66.4	12,296.3
Quarterly total							
1966-67—							
March	27,058	57,405	23,010	34,395	28,145	62.5	11,772.9
June	24,749	58,012	25,458	32,554	4,684	37.2	11,810.2
1967-68—							
September	21,428	57,579	29,559	28,020	26,225	54.2	11,864.4
December	26,765	56,300	24,676	31,624	32,855	64.5	11,928.9
March	27,303	58,117	24,253	33,864	28,034	61.9	11,990.8
June	27,013	59,964	26,180	33,784	6,244	40.0	12,030.8
1968-69—							
September	23,244	61,619	33,329	28,290	40,032	68.3	12,099.1
December	28,785	61,206	25,785	35,421	38,743	74.2	12,173.3
March	28,946	61,072	23,406	37,666	36,538	74.2	12,247.5
June	28,655	63,321	25,659	37,662	11,112	48.8	12,296.3
1969-70—							
September	25,106	63,680	31,125	32,555	42,832	75.4	12,371.7
December	29,763	62,103	26,306	35,797	38,564	74.4	12,446.0
March				p37,561	38,833	p76.4	p12,522.4

(a) Excludes particulars of full-blood Aborigines prior to 1 January 1967. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (d) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961. (e) Increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total inter-censal increase revealed by successive censuses. (f) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (g) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Permanent movement—persons arriving with the stated intention of settling permanently in Australia, and Australian residents departing with the stated intention of residing permanently abroad.

Long-term movement—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with the stated intention of staying (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more and the departure of visitors and return of Australian residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

Short-term movement—all other overseas arrivals and departures, including those of Australian troops irrespective of period of stay and U.S. troops visiting Australia on rest and recreation leave. The latter are classified for statistical purposes as short-term visitors.

Crew members, persons passing through Australia on board the same ship or on the same flight (variously called direct transit passengers or 'through' passengers) and passengers on short pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia on ships not then engaged in regular voyages, are excluded from these statistics.

Arrivals

Period	Permanent movement	Long-term movement		Short-term movement			Total arrivals	Excess of total arrivals over total departures	
		Settlers arriving	Australian residents returning	Overseas visitors arriving	Australian residents returning	Overseas visitors arriving			
						Number recorded			Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average									
1964-65	11,679	2,005	1,374	12,338	13,481	..	40,877	8,380	
1965-66	12,005	2,273	1,538	14,234	14,989	..	45,039	7,699	
1966-67	11,556	2,597	1,673	16,879	16,540	..	49,245	7,281	
1967-68	11,461	3,086	1,945	20,014	21,455	..	57,961	7,780	
1968-69	14,638	3,115	2,037	22,233	27,677	..	69,700	10,536	
Monthly total									
1968-69—									
March	16,836	3,186	2,564	21,547	32,093	30,224	76,226	8,008	
April	15,353	2,555	1,827	18,365	26,882	28,407	64,982	2,382	
May	18,949	2,747	1,870	21,559	27,591	29,148	72,716	2,737	
June	14,677	2,424	1,905	19,757	23,890	30,214	62,653	5,993	
1969-70—									
July	16,197	2,632	2,140	22,291	25,654	30,319	68,914	12,453	
August	12,917	3,072	2,155	25,688	30,345	30,564	74,177	5,498	
September	14,774	3,518	2,288	31,342	28,061	30,542	79,983	24,881	
October	16,129	3,396	2,300	27,388	32,018	30,261	81,231	19,349	
November	14,374	3,003	1,802	23,555	34,714	32,514	77,448	16,214	
December	17,027	5,095	2,151	21,053	42,964	31,947	88,290	3,001	
January	13,444	3,894	4,156	41,631	33,612	33,023	96,737	16,137	
February	13,617	3,097	3,473	23,829	34,979	33,955	78,995	13,323	
March	18,947	3,071	2,485	24,450	35,991	33,398	84,944	9,373	
April	15,367	2,393	2,090	21,879	30,851	33,521	72,580	— 2,485	

Departures

Period	Permanent movement		Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total departures
	Former settlers departing (a)	Other residents departing	Australian residents departing	Overseas visitors departing	Australian residents departing	Overseas visitors departing	
Monthly average							
1964-65	856	569	3,558	1,137	12,461	13,916	32,497
1965-66	1,364	550	4,315	984	14,484	15,643	37,340
1966-67	1,703	735	4,479	1,059	16,559	17,429	41,964
1967-68	1,960	660	4,320	1,043	19,579	22,619	50,181
1968-69	1,962	678	4,441	1,151	22,189	28,743	59,164
Monthly total							
1968-69—							
March	2,110	708	5,413	1,380	25,411	33,196	68,218
April	1,658	607	4,645	1,146	24,903	29,641	62,600
May	2,155	765	4,740	1,386	29,135	31,798	69,979
June	1,178	615	4,222	1,122	24,377	25,146	56,660
1969-70—							
July	2,194	723	4,674	1,318	22,270	25,282	56,461
August	2,896	900	6,493	1,334	26,035	31,021	68,679
September	2,143	686	4,040	1,156	17,072	30,005	55,102
October	2,478	762	5,745	1,290	20,816	30,791	61,882
November	1,697	683	3,645	1,163	19,025	35,021	61,234
December	2,753	969	5,500	1,953	41,554	32,560	85,289
January	2,597	1,063	7,390	1,534	23,717	44,299	80,600
February	1,410	881	4,246	1,350	20,356	37,429	65,672
March	1,808	766	5,194	1,525	29,446	36,832	75,571
April	1,978	854	4,911	1,522	30,058	35,742	75,065

(a) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

Note. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

CIVILIAN POPULATION(a), BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS, AUSTRALIA

Month	Employed(b)			Unemployed(b)		Total labour force(b)		Not in labour force(b) ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over(a) ('000)
	Agriculture ('000)	Other industries ('000)	Total ('000)	Number ('000)	Per cent of labour force	Number ('000)	Per cent of pop-ulation(c)		
Males									
1968—May	362.0	3,097.1	3,459.1	37.7	1.1	3,496.8	83.4	698.5	4,195.3
August	363.3	3,104.5	3,467.8	32.1	0.9	3,499.9	83.0	715.7	4,215.6
November	371.2	3,121.2	3,492.4	35.2	1.0	3,527.6	83.1	719.5	4,247.1
1969—February	367.7	3,172.9	3,540.6	43.6	1.2	3,584.2	83.9	687.4	4,271.6
May	361.9	3,182.5	3,544.4	35.4	1.0	3,579.8	83.3	715.1	4,294.9
August	361.9	3,188.1	3,550.0	31.8	0.9	3,581.8	83.0	733.6	4,315.4
November	367.1	3,201.2	3,568.2	43.3	1.2	3,611.5	83.1	735.4	4,346.9
1970—February	365.9	3,262.6	3,628.5	39.1	1.1	3,667.6	83.8	707.2	4,374.8
Married Women									
1968—May	41.2	776.6	817.7	21.6	2.6	839.3	30.2	1,940.2	2,779.6
August	45.4	787.2	832.6	18.7	2.2	851.2	30.5	1,943.3	2,794.6
November	47.2	806.7	854.0	16.6	1.9	870.6	31.0	1,941.4	2,812.0
1969—February	49.3	819.0	868.2	22.9	2.6	891.1	31.3	1,957.6	2,848.7
May	41.3	835.2	876.6	23.2	2.6	899.7	31.4	1,964.0	2,863.7
August	53.0	850.1	903.1	19.2	2.1	922.3	32.0	1,961.8	2,884.1
November	54.7	898.8	953.5	19.8	2.0	973.3	33.5	1,928.1	2,901.4
1970—February	52.3	884.4	936.7	26.2	2.7	962.9	33.0	1,957.9	2,920.8
Other Females(d)									
1968—May	11.9	696.5	708.4	19.3	2.6	727.6	49.2	750.3	1,477.9
August	10.3	692.8	703.2	16.2	2.3	719.5	48.5	763.9	1,483.4
November	11.8	687.9	699.7	21.0	2.9	720.6	48.1	778.1	1,498.7
1969—February	13.0	693.4	706.4	25.8	3.5	732.2	49.1	758.6	1,490.8
May	11.8	689.6	701.4	16.5	2.3	717.9	48.1	774.5	1,492.4
August	13.8	681.4	695.2	15.0	2.1	710.2	47.6	780.9	1,491.1
November	14.4	687.7	702.1	23.4	3.2	725.5	48.0	786.0	1,511.5
1970—February	13.2	712.0	725.3	21.2	2.8	746.4	49.1	773.9	1,520.3
All Females									
1968—May	53.1	1,473.0	1,526.1	40.9	2.6	1,567.0	36.8	2,690.5	4,257.5
August	55.7	1,480.0	1,535.7	35.0	2.2	1,570.7	36.7	2,707.3	4,278.0
November	59.1	1,494.6	1,553.7	37.5	2.4	1,591.2	36.9	2,719.5	4,310.7
1969—February	62.3	1,512.3	1,574.6	48.7	3.0	1,623.3	37.4	2,716.2	4,339.5
May	53.1	1,524.9	1,578.0	39.7	2.5	1,617.6	37.1	2,738.5	4,356.1
August	66.7	1,531.6	1,598.3	34.2	2.1	1,632.5	37.3	2,742.7	4,375.2
November	69.1	1,586.5	1,655.6	43.2	2.5	1,698.7	38.5	2,714.2	4,412.9
1970—February	65.5	1,596.4	1,661.9	47.4	2.8	1,709.3	38.5	2,731.8	4,441.1
Persons									
1968—May	415.1	4,570.1	4,985.2	78.5	1.6	5,063.7	59.9	3,389.1	8,452.8
August	419.0	4,584.5	5,003.5	67.1	1.3	5,070.6	59.7	3,423.0	8,493.6
November	430.3	4,615.8	5,046.1	72.7	1.4	5,118.8	59.8	3,439.0	8,557.8
1969—February	430.0	4,685.2	5,115.2	92.3	1.8	5,207.5	60.5	3,403.6	8,611.1
May	415.0	4,707.4	5,122.4	75.1	1.4	5,197.4	60.1	3,453.6	8,651.0
August	428.7	4,719.6	5,148.3	66.0	1.3	5,214.3	60.0	3,476.3	8,690.6
November	436.2	4,787.6	5,223.8	86.5	1.6	5,310.3	60.6	3,449.5	8,759.8
1970—February	431.4	4,859.0	5,290.4	86.5	1.6	5,376.9	61.0	3,439.0	8,815.9

(a) The estimates in this table relate to all persons aged 15 years and over, except members of the permanent armed forces, national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement and certain diplomatic personnel customarily excluded from census and estimated populations. (b) For definitions see explanatory notes given in the most recent issue of *The Labour Force* (Ref. No. 6.20). (c) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group (labour force participation rate). (d) Never married, widowed and divorced.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups									Total civilian employees		
	Manu- facturing	Build- ing and con- struction	Trans- port and storage	Finance and property	Com- merce	Public author- ity activities (n.e.i.)	Com- munity and business services (b)	Amuse- ment, hotels, personal service etc.	Other indus- tries (c)	Private em- ployees	Govern- ment authori- ties	Total
Males												
1966—June	950.3	334.0	203.2	98.8	385.1	110.6	203.0	84.2	242.9	1,865.4	746.8	2,612.2
1967—June	961.6	325.9	203.7	102.6	390.9	116.3	209.7	89.8	250.1	1,891.9	758.7	2,650.6
1968—June	980.1	336.1	208.2	106.5	398.1	121.4	220.4	95.0	259.5	1,945.1	780.2	2,725.3
1969—June	1,002.5	344.3	211.9	112.5	407.5	126.8	232.1	101.7	265.6	2,014.9	790.0	2,804.9
1968—												
September	984.1	336.7	208.7	106.5	400.0	122.3	221.2	98.1	258.7	1,958.7	777.7	2,736.4
October	985.2	335.8	209.8	106.6	401.3	122.4	221.6	98.3	258.6	1,964.8	774.9	2,739.7
November	989.0	337.3	210.8	106.5	407.9	122.9	222.6	100.0	259.1	1,979.4	776.7	2,756.1
December	986.2	335.8	211.8	107.0	414.8	124.1	223.2	101.8	270.5	1,984.9	790.3	2,775.2
1969—												
January	990.2	337.0	211.4	108.7	407.3	124.6	224.4	101.6	262.7	1,985.4	782.7	2,768.1
February	994.9	339.5	211.2	110.6	406.3	125.2	229.1	100.4	263.3	1,993.2	787.3	2,780.5
March	999.4	340.2	212.0	111.7	405.3	126.0	230.2	101.5	263.4	2,001.9	787.5	2,789.4
April	998.7	341.4	212.2	111.9	405.9	126.4	230.6	101.6	264.1	2,004.3	788.5	2,792.8
May	1,001.0	343.2	212.3	112.1	407.0	126.6	231.3	101.0	265.1	2,010.5	789.2	2,799.7
June	1,002.5	344.3	211.9	112.5	407.5	126.8	232.1	101.7	265.6	2,014.9	790.0	2,804.9
July	1,004.7	345.4	211.8	112.6	406.3	126.8	232.6	102.4	266.0	2,019.7	788.8	2,808.5
August	1,006.9	344.5	212.1	112.2	407.8	126.8	233.4	102.9	266.4	2,025.1	787.9	2,813.0
September	1,008.1	345.0	212.2	112.3	409.8	127.1	234.2	104.5	266.2	2,032.2	787.2	2,819.4
October	1,008.5	345.5	213.2	112.2	412.1	127.3	234.9	105.2	266.0	2,038.1	786.9	2,825.0
November	d1,007.3	347.8	214.2	112.4	418.4	127.7	235.9	107.3	266.9	d2,049.0	788.7	d2,837.7
December	1,012.9	345.0	214.8	113.2	424.3	128.8	236.5	109.3	278.9	2,062.4	801.4	2,863.8
1970—												
January	1,016.8	346.8	215.0	115.0	417.9	129.2	237.5	109.0	272.0	2,063.3	795.9	2,859.2
February	1,021.1	349.4	215.2	117.3	417.7	129.9	242.6	108.8	272.9	2,073.9	801.1	2,875.0
March(r)	1,022.2	350.7	215.3	118.6	417.1	131.0	243.9	108.9	272.5	2,079.1	801.2	2,880.3
April	d1,023.3	352.9	217.2	118.5	417.8	131.5	244.5	109.6	273.2	d2,087.1	801.4	d2,888.5
Females												
1966—June	312.8	11.9	22.5	71.5	268.6	46.5	309.5	114.7	33.2	975.0	216.3	1,191.3
1967—June	321.5	12.1	23.2	75.2	282.3	49.9	327.0	125.8	34.8	1,023.3	228.4	1,251.7
1968—June	329.9	13.4	24.0	78.6	291.1	52.0	346.1	133.7	35.6	1,064.6	239.9	1,304.5
1969—June	342.1	14.6	25.2	83.1	299.5	55.4	369.7	140.3	37.0	1,110.7	256.1	1,366.8
1968—												
September	332.8	13.8	24.2	78.6	293.4	52.9	349.7	135.7	35.7	1,074.6	242.2	1,316.8
October	334.9	13.8	24.3	78.6	295.1	52.8	350.6	136.3	36.2	1,079.7	243.1	1,322.8
November	337.1	14.1	24.4	79.0	301.2	53.5	351.0	138.3	36.7	1,090.9	244.2	1,335.1
December	334.2	13.9	24.6	79.4	308.5	54.0	348.6	138.7	38.2	1,094.8	245.4	1,340.2
1969—												
January	333.1	14.0	24.8	81.0	295.6	54.2	348.1	136.9	36.8	1,082.3	242.2	1,324.5
February	339.6	14.2	24.8	82.5	294.2	54.3	361.0	136.9	36.7	1,092.3	251.9	1,344.2
March	344.7	14.3	24.9	82.8	296.0	55.0	363.8	138.4	36.9	1,103.4	253.6	1,357.0
April	342.0	14.5	25.1	83.2	296.6	55.0	365.5	138.8	37.1	1,102.9	254.7	1,357.6
May	341.9	14.5	25.0	83.2	298.0	55.2	366.8	139.7	37.1	1,106.7	254.6	1,361.3
June	342.1	14.6	25.2	83.1	299.5	55.4	369.7	140.3	37.0	1,110.7	256.1	1,366.8
July	342.5	14.6	25.3	83.4	298.8	56.2	371.8	140.6	36.9	1,113.2	257.1	1,370.3
August	344.2	14.7	25.3	83.2	300.5	56.3	372.1	142.7	37.1	1,119.4	256.7	1,376.1
September	347.5	14.8	25.4	82.9	302.5	56.6	372.9	144.1	37.2	1,126.1	257.9	1,384.0
October	350.8	15.0	25.6	83.2	306.4	56.5	375.4	145.9	38.0	1,137.1	259.7	1,396.8
November	353.4	15.2	25.8	83.8	314.6	57.4	376.5	148.2	38.6	1,151.4	262.2	1,413.6
December	350.1	15.1	26.1	85.2	322.7	58.3	374.1	149.2	40.1	1,157.4	263.5	1,420.9
1970—												
January	349.9	15.3	26.2	87.6	310.7	58.0	374.3	148.2	39.2	1,148.6	260.8	1,409.4
February	357.1	15.6	26.2	90.1	309.0	58.7	387.1	149.5	38.9	1,162.5	269.8	1,432.3
March(r)	358.9	15.6	26.4	90.6	309.7	59.5	390.5	151.6	39.1	1,170.3	271.6	1,441.9
April	359.0	15.9	26.8	90.3	310.5	60.0	392.5	152.6	39.3	1,174.1	272.9	1,447.0

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)
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Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups										
	Manufacturing		Building and construction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce		Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Community and business services (b)	Amusement, hotels, personal service etc.	Other industries (c)
	Original	Seasonally adjusted				Original	Seasonally adjusted				
Persons											
1966—June	1,263.1	1,264.5	345.9	225.7	170.3	653.8	656.7	157.2	512.5	198.9	276.1
1967—June	1,283.1	1,284.2	338.0	226.8	177.7	673.2	676.0	166.2	536.6	215.7	284.9
1968—June	1,310.0	1,310.9	349.5	232.2	185.1	689.2	692.0	173.4	566.5	228.6	295.1
1969—June	1,344.6	1,345.5	358.9	237.1	195.6	707.0	709.8	182.1	601.9	241.9	302.7
1968—											
March	1,316.2	1,305.0	345.2	230.7	184.8	683.3	685.8	171.9	560.9	227.9	293.8
April	1,309.0	1,305.4	347.6	231.4	184.5	684.7	687.4	172.6	562.6	228.0	294.4
May	1,309.7	1,308.7	348.8	232.1	184.8	686.7	689.1	173.2	565.0	229.1	295.4
June	1,310.0	1,310.9	349.5	232.2	185.1	689.2	692.0	173.4	566.5	228.6	295.1
July	1,312.1	1,315.0	349.9	232.0	185.5	688.4	694.0	174.6	568.1	229.3	295.7
August	1,314.0	1,318.3	349.9	232.8	185.2	690.2	695.2	174.8	568.8	230.7	295.8
September	1,316.9	1,320.8	350.5	233.0	185.1	693.4	697.3	175.2	570.9	233.8	294.4
October	1,320.1	1,321.8	349.7	234.1	185.2	696.5	697.8	175.2	572.2	234.6	294.8
November	1,326.0	1,323.7	351.4	235.2	185.5	709.0	699.5	176.4	573.6	238.3	295.8
December	1,320.4	1,326.6	349.7	236.4	186.4	723.3	705.5	178.1	571.9	240.4	308.8
1969—											
January	1,323.3	1,328.1	351.0	236.3	189.7	702.9	701.9	178.8	572.5	238.5	299.6
February	1,334.6	1,328.1	353.7	236.0	193.0	700.5	702.2	179.5	590.0	237.3	300.1
March	1,344.1	1,332.9	354.5	236.9	194.5	701.3	703.9	181.0	594.0	239.9	300.3
April	1,340.7	1,337.0	355.8	237.3	195.1	702.6	705.4	181.4	596.2	240.4	301.1
May	1,342.9	1,341.8	357.6	237.3	195.4	705.0	707.6	181.8	598.1	240.7	320.3
June	1,344.6	1,345.5	358.9	237.1	195.6	707.0	709.8	182.1	601.9	241.9	302.7
July	1,347.2	1,350.3	360.0	237.1	195.9	705.1	710.8	183.0	604.4	243.0	302.9
August	1,351.0	1,355.6	359.2	237.4	195.4	708.3	713.4	183.1	605.6	245.6	303.5
September	1,355.6	1,359.6	359.8	237.7	195.2	712.3	716.2	183.7	607.2	248.6	303.4
October	1,359.4	1,361.0	360.6	238.8	195.4	718.5	719.9	183.8	610.3	251.1	304.0
November	d1,360.7	d1,358.2	363.0	240.0	196.3	733.0	723.2	185.0	612.4	255.4	305.5
December	1,363.0	1,369.2	360.1	240.9	198.4	747.0	728.4	187.1	610.6	258.6	319.0
1970—											
January	1,366.7	1,371.7	362.1	241.2	202.6	728.6	727.7	187.2	611.9	257.3	311.2
February	1,378.2	1,371.7	365.0	241.4	207.4	726.8	728.7	188.6	629.7	258.4	311.8
March(r)	1,381.1	1,369.6	366.3	241.7	209.2	726.8	729.6	190.5	634.5	260.5	311.6
April	d1,382.3	d1,378.5	368.8	244.0	208.8	728.3	731.3	191.5	637.0	262.2	312.5

(a) The figures in this table, except those relating to Government employees, are based on comprehensive data from the Population Census of June 1966. For the period subsequent to the census the employment data are obtained from three main sources, namely (i) current pay-roll tax returns, (ii) current returns from Government bodies, and (iii) some other current returns of employment (e.g. for hospitals); the balance, i.e. unrecorded private employment, is estimated. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked with the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates. At June 1966 recorded employment obtained from the foregoing sources accounted for about 85 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered, as determined by the census. (b) Includes law and order; religion and social welfare; health services; education; and other community and business services. (c) Includes forestry, fishing and trapping; mining and quarrying; electricity, gas, water and sanitary services; and communication. (d) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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Month	Total males		Total females		Total persons					
					Private		Government		Total	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
1966—June	2,612.2	2,612.0	1,191.3	1,193.8	2,840.3	2,844.6	963.2	960.6	3,803.5	3,804.6
1967—June	2,650.6	2,650.7	1,251.7	1,253.7	2,915.3	2,919.3	987.0	984.3	3,902.3	3,903.5
1968—June	2,725.3	2,725.6	1,304.5	1,306.1	3,009.8	3,013.9	1,020.0	1,017.2	4,029.8	4,031.0
1969—June	2,804.9	2,805.4	1,366.8	1,368.3	3,125.6	3,129.8	1,046.1	1,043.1	4,171.7	4,173.0
1968—										
March	2,715.4	2,707.5	1,299.5	1,290.5	2,999.4	2,986.3	1,015.5	1,011.6	4,014.9	4,002.5
April	2,717.3	2,713.1	1,297.6	1,295.0	2,996.9	2,993.8	1,018.0	1,014.4	4,014.9	4,011.7
May	2,722.9	2,719.4	1,301.7	1,301.4	3,004.5	3,003.6	1,020.1	1,016.8	4,024.6	4,021.0
June	2,725.3	2,725.6	1,304.5	1,306.1	3,009.8	3,013.9	1,020.0	1,017.2	4,029.8	4,031.0
July	2,727.4	2,732.8	1,308.1	1,312.1	3,014.0	3,024.3	1,021.5	1,020.2	4,035.5	4,041.2
August	2,731.6	2,738.9	1,310.6	1,315.1	3,022.2	3,032.3	1,020.0	1,021.4	4,042.2	4,049.5
September	2,736.4	2,745.4	1,316.8	1,320.6	3,033.3	3,042.0	1,019.9	1,024.0	4,053.2	4,063.0
October	2,739.7	2,749.9	1,322.8	1,324.2	3,044.5	3,049.1	1,018.0	1,024.8	4,062.5	4,072.7
November	2,756.1	2,757.8	1,335.1	1,329.3	3,070.3	3,058.8	1,020.9	1,027.0	4,091.2	4,084.7
December	2,775.2	2,764.6	1,340.2	1,336.7	3,079.6	3,073.7	1,035.8	1,030.0	4,115.4	4,100.2
1969—										
January	2,768.1	2,769.2	1,324.5	1,336.2	3,067.7	3,074.7	1,024.9	1,031.8	4,092.6	4,109.0
February	2,780.5	2,771.0	1,344.2	1,338.8	3,085.4	3,074.7	1,039.3	1,034.9	4,124.7	4,114.8
March	2,789.4	2,781.8	1,357.0	1,347.8	3,105.3	3,092.1	1,041.1	1,037.1	4,146.4	4,133.6
April	2,792.8	2,788.8	1,357.6	1,354.8	3,107.2	3,104.4	1,043.2	1,039.4	4,150.4	4,147.5
May	2,799.7	2,796.2	1,361.3	1,360.9	3,117.2	3,116.5	1,043.8	1,040.4	4,161.0	4,157.3
June	2,804.9	2,805.4	1,366.8	1,368.3	3,125.6	3,129.8	1,046.1	1,043.1	4,171.7	4,173.0
July	2,808.5	2,814.1	1,370.3	1,374.4	3,132.8	3,143.3	1,046.0	1,044.7	4,178.8	4,184.7
August	2,813.0	2,820.3	1,376.1	1,380.8	3,144.5	3,154.8	1,044.6	1,046.2	4,189.1	4,196.7
September	2,819.4	2,828.5	1,384.0	1,388.0	3,158.3	3,166.6	1,045.1	1,049.3	4,203.4	4,212.9
October	2,825.0	2,835.3	1,396.8	1,398.4	3,175.3	3,179.9	1,046.5	1,053.4	4,221.8	4,232.4
November	c 2,837.7	c 2,839.3	1,413.6	1,407.5	c 3,200.4	c 3,188.3	1,050.9	1,057.0	c 4,251.3	c 4,244.5
December	2,863.8	2,852.8	1,420.9	1,417.0	3,219.8	3,213.5	1,064.9	1,059.1	4,284.7	4,268.1
1970—										
January(r)	2,859.2	2,860.3	1,409.4	1,422.1	3,211.9	3,220.0	1,056.7	1,063.9	4,268.6	4,286.2
February(r)	2,875.0	2,867.3	1,432.3	1,426.6	3,236.5	3,225.4	1,070.8	1,066.2	4,307.3	4,297.4
March(r)	2,880.3	2,876.3	1,441.9	1,432.2	3,249.4	3,235.8	1,072.8	1,068.6	4,322.2	4,309.3
April	c 2,888.5	c 2,885.0	1,447.0	1,444.0	c 3,261.1	c 3,258.3	1,074.4	1,070.5	c 4,335.5	c 4,330.8

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6. (b) The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are given in 'Seasonally Adjusted Indicators' 1970 (Reference No. 1.10). (c) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Males									
1966—June	989.5	735.7	342.2	242.8	181.0	81.6	12.8	26.6	2,612.2
1967—June	1,002.7	747.7	345.1	245.7	184.2	83.2	13.8	28.0	2,650.6
1968—June	1,025.4	763.5	354.6	254.0	197.0	84.7	15.6	30.5	2,725.3
1969—June	1,052.2	782.2	366.6	261.6	206.4	86.5	17.2	32.2	2,804.9
1968—									
September	1,029.0	765.0	357.7	254.1	199.0	84.6	16.3	30.5	2,736.4
October	1,031.1	765.0	357.7	255.0	199.2	84.7	16.3	30.7	2,739.7
November	1,037.9	771.1	357.5	256.4	201.1	84.9	16.2	31.0	2,756.1
December	1,047.3	778.1	353.8	258.7	203.2	86.4	16.2	31.5	2,775.2
1969—									
January	1,042.2	775.6	355.6	258.2	202.5	86.3	16.2	31.6	2,768.1
February	1,045.2	778.8	358.6	259.9	203.8	86.3	16.2	31.8	2,780.5
March	1,047.1	780.3	361.4	261.1	204.7	86.4	16.3	32.2	2,789.4
April	1,048.9	779.3	362.3	261.8	205.3	86.6	16.5	32.3	2,792.8
May	1,050.5	780.3	365.4	261.8	205.9	86.6	16.9	32.2	2,799.7
June	1,052.2	782.2	366.6	261.6	206.4	86.5	17.2	32.2	2,804.9
July	1,052.5	782.1	368.5	261.8	207.4	86.2	17.6	32.3	2,808.5
August	1,054.1	783.2	369.3	261.8	208.3	86.0	17.9	32.6	2,813.0
September	1,057.8	785.3	368.3	262.3	208.4	86.2	18.0	33.0	2,819.4
October	1,059.2	788.0	368.2	262.7	209.4	86.5	18.0	33.0	2,825.0
November	1,068.2	c 786.9	369.6	263.2	211.0	87.2	18.1	33.5	c 2,837.7
December	1,076.8	801.5	366.3	265.5	213.6	88.0	18.0	34.0	2,863.8
1970—									
January	1,072.6	800.0	367.5	265.3	213.2	88.3	18.0	34.3	2,859.2
February	1,079.1	803.4	369.8	266.8	215.1	88.3	18.0	34.4	2,875.0
March	1,080.3	804.0	371.0	267.2	215.8	88.9	18.4	34.7	2,880.3
April	1,082.9	805.1	374.5	c 266.3	216.5	89.1	18.9	35.2	c 2,888.5
Females									
1966—June	456.1	361.2	139.8	106.1	76.3	33.8	4.9	13.2	1,191.3
1967—June	480.4	376.5	147.3	109.8	82.3	35.5	5.5	14.4	1,251.7
1968—June	497.2	388.2	154.0	116.2	89.3	37.1	6.4	16.1	1,304.5
1969—June	518.4	405.8	160.7	121.4	97.3	38.1	7.2	18.1	1,366.8
1968—									
September	503.4	390.9	155.2	116.8	91.1	36.6	6.7	16.3	1,316.8
October	506.4	392.6	155.3	117.2	91.4	36.6	6.7	16.5	1,322.8
November	511.9	396.7	156.2	118.0	91.9	36.8	6.7	16.9	1,335.1
December	511.6	399.3	158.2	118.5	91.2	37.8	6.6	17.0	1,340.2
1969—									
January	506.7	394.4	154.8	117.7	90.7	36.7	6.7	16.9	1,324.5
February	509.2	402.6	157.3	119.8	94.0	37.0	6.8	17.5	1,344.2
March	513.4	405.6	159.0	121.1	95.6	37.8	6.9	17.7	1,357.0
April	514.4	404.3	158.9	120.7	96.3	38.2	6.9	17.8	1,357.6
May	516.5	404.5	160.1	120.3	96.6	38.2	7.1	18.1	1,361.3
June	518.4	405.8	160.7	121.4	97.3	38.1	7.2	18.1	1,366.8
July	519.7	406.7	161.2	121.5	97.8	37.8	7.3	18.2	1,370.3
August	523.0	407.5	161.3	122.3	98.4	37.8	7.4	18.3	1,376.1
September	526.3	409.1	162.0	123.1	99.5	38.0	7.5	18.5	1,384.0
October	532.1	413.1	162.8	123.8	100.7	38.1	7.6	18.7	1,396.8
November	539.0	417.6	164.6	125.1	102.2	38.4	7.6	19.2	1,413.6
December	539.7	420.6	166.4	126.0	101.9	39.4	7.6	19.2	1,420.9
1970—									
January	536.1	416.1	165.2	125.8	100.8	38.6	7.5	19.4	1,409.4
February	541.6	423.8	167.9	128.3	104.8	38.8	7.6	19.5	1,432.3
March	545.3	426.5	167.9	129.1	106.2	39.1	7.7	20.2	1,441.9
April	547.4	426.7	169.4	128.8	106.8	39.6	7.8	20.5	1,447.0

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Persons									
1966—June	1,445.6	1,096.9	482.0	348.9	257.3	115.4	17.7	39.8	3,803.5
1967—June	1,483.1	1,124.2	492.4	355.5	266.5	118.7	19.3	42.4	3,902.3
1968—June	1,522.6	1,151.7	508.6	370.2	286.3	121.8	22.0	46.6	4,029.8
1969—June	1,570.6	1,188.0	527.3	383.0	303.7	124.6	24.4	50.3	4,171.7
1968—									
March	1,513.5	1,154.7	502.6	371.7	283.9	121.9	20.4	46.1	4,014.9
April	1,515.7	1,150.7	503.9	370.5	284.5	122.3	20.8	46.5	4,014.9
May	1,519.8	1,152.0	506.4	370.2	285.6	122.4	21.4	46.7	4,024.6
June	1,522.6	1,151.7	508.6	370.2	286.3	121.8	22.0	46.6	4,029.8
July	1,523.6	1,153.4	510.9	370.0	287.3	121.2	22.6	46.6	4,035.5
August	1,526.4	1,154.8	511.5	370.6	288.4	121.0	22.8	46.8	4,042.2
September	1,532.4	1,155.9	512.9	370.9	290.1	121.2	23.0	46.8	4,053.2
October	1,537.5	1,157.6	513.0	372.2	290.6	121.3	23.0	47.2	4,062.5
November	1,549.8	1,167.8	513.7	374.4	293.0	121.7	22.9	47.9	4,091.2
December	1,558.9	1,177.4	512.0	377.3	294.4	124.2	22.8	48.5	4,115.4
1969—									
January	1,548.9	1,170.0	510.4	375.9	293.2	123.0	22.9	48.5	4,092.6
February	1,554.4	1,181.4	515.9	379.7	297.8	123.3	23.0	49.3	4,124.7
March	1,560.5	1,185.9	520.4	382.2	300.3	124.2	23.2	49.9	4,146.4
April	1,563.3	1,183.6	521.2	382.5	301.6	124.8	23.4	50.1	4,150.4
May	1,567.0	1,184.8	525.5	382.1	302.5	124.8	24.0	50.3	4,161.0
June	1,570.6	1,188.0	527.3	383.0	303.7	124.6	24.4	50.3	4,171.7
July	1,572.2	1,188.8	529.7	383.3	305.2	124.0	24.9	50.5	4,178.8
August	1,577.1	1,190.7	530.6	384.1	306.7	123.8	25.3	50.9	4,189.1
September	1,584.1	1,194.4	530.3	385.4	307.9	124.2	25.5	51.5	4,203.4
October	1,591.3	1,201.1	531.0	386.5	310.1	124.6	25.6	51.7	4,221.8
November	1,607.2	c1,204.5	534.2	388.3	313.2	125.6	25.7	52.7	c4,251.3
December	1,616.5	1,222.1	532.7	391.5	315.5	127.4	25.6	53.2	4,284.7
1970—									
January	1,608.7	1,216.1	532.7	391.1	314.0	126.9	25.5	53.7	4,268.6
February	1,620.7	1,227.2	537.7	395.1	319.9	127.1	25.6	53.9	4,307.3
March(r)	1,625.6	1,230.5	538.9	396.3	322.0	128.0	26.1	54.9	4,322.2
April	1,630.3	1,231.8	543.9	c 395.1	323.3	128.7	26.7	55.7	c 4,335.5

(a) See note (a) on page 6.

(b) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas.

(c) Affected by industrial disputes.

PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1965—June	15,670	8,771	8,360	3,533	3,576	2,235	42,145
1966—June	22,837	14,026	9,735	7,357	3,370	1,695	59,020
1967—June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
1968—June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
1969—June	18,277	13,254	10,908	6,300	4,007	2,120	54,866
1968— December	24,911	24,246	17,327	9,140	4,437	3,100	83,161
1969— January	26,855	24,859	18,466	11,031	5,429	3,339	89,979
February	23,276	18,006	15,864	9,038	4,833	2,628	73,645
March	19,294	13,929	13,466	7,381	3,954	2,160	60,184
April	18,900	14,214	11,786	7,274	4,160	1,957	58,291
May	18,087	14,329	11,644	6,744	3,938	2,056	56,798
June	18,277	13,254	10,908	6,300	4,007	2,120	54,866
July	16,635	13,002	7,969	6,013	3,691	2,228	49,538
August	15,079	12,185	6,984	5,269	3,233	2,170	44,920
September	14,439	10,737	6,472	4,530	2,842	2,101	41,121
October	14,507	10,403	7,244	4,614	2,674	1,802	41,244
November	23,776	10,959	11,415	4,610	3,134	1,738	55,632
December	23,837	21,280	15,566	8,297	4,614	3,475	77,069
1970— January	24,624	21,592	17,358	8,997	5,288	3,565	81,424
February	18,139	15,001	13,574	7,002	4,661	3,101	61,478
March	15,018	11,020	11,457	6,186	4,165	1,874	49,720
April	15,171	11,978	9,216	5,768	3,833	1,568	47,534
May	16,702	12,615	8,745	6,522	4,337	1,597	50,518

AUSTRALIA

Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted(e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted(e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted(e)
1965—June	22,403	22,219	19,742	19,694	42,145	42,159
1966—June	36,066	35,702	22,954	23,213	59,020	58,969
1967—June	43,166	42,840	25,325	25,793	68,491	68,632
1968—June	39,351	40,163	25,902	26,773	65,253	66,880
1969—June	33,304	33,968	21,562	22,091	54,866	55,953
1968— December	53,860	40,232	29,301	24,899	83,161	65,325
1969— January	57,110	37,888	32,869	24,503	89,979	62,454
February	43,452	38,133	30,193	24,353	73,645	62,528
March	34,499	36,329	25,685	23,782	60,184	60,079
April	34,298	36,295	23,993	23,097	58,291	59,257
May	34,505	35,724	22,293	22,316	56,798	57,760
June	33,304	33,968	21,562	22,091	54,866	55,953
July	30,132	32,724	19,406	21,402	49,538	53,742
August	27,372	32,311	17,548	21,554	44,920	53,747
September	24,750	33,426	16,371	21,457	41,121	54,831
October	24,097	34,755	17,147	22,463	41,244	57,103
November	33,147	34,652	22,485	23,051	55,632	57,739
December	48,634	33,904	28,435	23,192	77,069	57,037
1970— January	51,417	33,178	30,007	22,194	81,424	55,322
February	35,770	31,161	25,708	20,978	61,478	52,112
March	28,116	29,777	21,604	19,957	49,720	49,598
April	27,398	28,954	20,136	19,087	47,534	47,909
May	30,216	31,126	20,302	19,912	50,518	50,760

(a) Persons who claimed, when registering with the Commonwealth Employment Service, that they were not employed and who were recorded as unemployed. Includes those referred to employers and those who may have obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. Includes also persons receiving unemployment benefit. (b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory, (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) See footnote (b) on page 7. Aggregate of seasonally adjusted figures for school leavers and others.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE(a)

(Source : Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1965—June	15,602	17,901	3,769	4,356	2,422	639	44,689
1966—June	10,734	13,751	3,239	1,507	2,965	825	33,021
1967—June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
1968—June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
1969—June	14,053	11,777	2,057	2,561	3,786	762	34,996
1968— December	18,028	16,865	2,970	3,826	3,720	1,677	47,086
1969— January	16,359	19,194	2,769	3,016	4,133	850	46,321
February	15,001	14,876	2,275	2,520	5,048	1,025	40,745
March	15,124	13,200	2,131	2,210	5,111	859	38,635
April	13,409	12,296	2,025	2,316	4,828	728	35,602
May	13,922	11,949	1,993	2,346	4,405	764	35,379
June	14,053	11,777	2,057	2,561	3,786	762	34,996
July	15,644	12,408	2,726	2,558	4,055	921	38,312
August	17,302	13,675	2,681	2,982	4,723	1,036	42,399
September	18,934	15,576	2,828	3,108	5,257	1,033	46,736
October	23,124	17,574	3,041	3,233	5,944	1,096	54,012
November	24,596	17,339	3,294	3,323	6,492	1,439	56,483
December	24,763	21,678	2,687	5,429	5,333	1,547	61,437
1970— January	25,095	25,136	3,588	4,116	5,521	1,293	64,749
February	24,020	20,044	3,481	3,920	5,459	1,334	58,258
March	22,932	18,497	3,227	3,686	4,868	1,297	54,507
April	21,684	15,279	3,469	3,242	4,792	1,029	49,495
May	19,573	13,791	3,455	2,745	3,950	932	44,446

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted(e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted(e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted(e)
1965—June	32,071	41,537	12,618	16,186	44,689	57,628
1966—June	22,116	28,489	10,905	13,877	33,021	42,325
1967—June	18,669	23,907	10,666	13,359	29,335	37,182
1968—June	18,662	24,067	10,060	12,550	28,722	36,560
1969—June	20,479	26,458	14,517	18,093	34,996	44,579
1968— December	30,193	23,367	16,893	14,187	47,086	37,309
1969— January	30,430	23,218	15,891	13,630	46,321	36,904
February	25,797	23,870	14,948	14,807	40,745	38,519
March	23,595	24,036	15,040	16,596	38,635	40,156
April	21,484	24,542	14,118	16,675	35,602	41,219
May	21,061	25,248	14,318	17,276	35,379	42,556
June	20,479	26,458	14,517	18,093	34,996	44,579
July	22,490	28,777	15,822	18,175	38,312	47,161
August	24,411	28,939	17,988	17,966	42,399	47,087
September	27,052	28,830	19,684	18,050	46,736	47,227
October	31,771	29,306	22,241	19,145	54,012	48,813
November	34,992	29,141	21,491	19,091	56,483	48,101
December	37,238	28,821	24,199	20,355	61,437	48,754
1970— January	39,915	30,426	24,834	21,306	64,749	51,628
February	35,297	32,603	22,961	22,746	58,258	55,016
March	33,071	33,640	21,436	23,609	54,507	56,557
April	29,477	33,684	20,018	23,598	49,495	57,293
May	25,054	30,054	19,392	23,375	44,446	53,471

(a) Vacancies which employers claimed were available immediately or would be available by the end of the following calendar month.

(b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month.

(c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(d) Includes the Northern Territory.

(e) See footnote (b) page 7.

*Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

PERSONS ON BENEFIT

(Source: Department of Social Services)

UNEMPLOYMENT

Period(a)	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland (b)	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia(b)(c)					
							Males		Females		Persons	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
June								(e)		(e)		(e)
1960	5,605	3,676	3,064	1,380	2,293	500	11,399	10,439	5,142	4,426	16,541	14,905
1961	19,574	16,089	9,632	4,042	3,417	1,336	42,479	38,715	11,775	10,154	54,254	48,649
1962	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	29,677	13,923	12,072	46,324	41,683
1963	16,834	8,548	5,353	2,441	3,179	1,777	24,200	22,451	13,988	12,260	38,188	34,751
1964	6,851	3,380	2,803	1,267	2,367	1,399	9,478	8,901	8,651	7,691	18,129	16,704
1965	4,667	1,960	3,239	703	1,137	926	6,753	6,405	5,903	5,322	12,656	11,790
1966	7,839	3,450	4,209	2,352	743	433	12,154	11,546	6,904	6,291	19,058	17,836
1967	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,050	7,561	6,936	23,394	21,958
1968	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,656	7,925	7,293	21,275	19,961
1969	4,814	3,608	4,447	1,956	469	600	10,344	9,804	5,566	5,130	15,910	14,934
1967-68—												
April	6,457	5,007	5,470	3,197	541	396	12,911	13,365	8,179	7,418	21,090	20,816
May	6,231	5,671	5,699	3,185	491	456	13,671	13,369	8,098	7,398	21,769	20,791
June	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,656	7,925	7,293	21,275	19,961
1968-69—												
July	6,250	5,704	3,157	3,314	728	642	12,770	12,642	7,054	6,831	19,824	19,488
August	5,402	4,723	2,612	2,838	536	667	10,702	11,788	6,095	6,557	16,797	18,351
September	4,507	3,960	2,306	2,420	388	615	8,917	11,555	5,292	6,473	14,209	17,902
October	4,156	3,939	2,050	2,233	384	565	8,475	11,948	4,860	6,336	13,335	18,285
November	4,599	3,723	3,322	2,170	370	575	9,459	12,488	5,307	6,457	14,766	19,072
December	6,850	5,125	6,993	3,131	729	658	16,903	12,251	6,611	6,305	23,514	18,567
January	6,414	4,977	7,432	3,244	695	648	16,628	12,001	6,813	6,224	23,441	18,173
February	5,574	3,869	6,620	2,787	532	543	12,910	11,672	7,039	6,345	19,949	18,051
March	4,472	3,329	5,146	2,126	473	332	9,853	10,534	6,045	5,479	15,898	16,056
April	4,775	3,474	4,561	2,172	437	410	9,881	10,257	5,972	5,418	15,853	15,685
May	4,715	3,647	4,785	1,992	400	499	10,349	10,134	5,705	5,214	16,054	15,346
June	4,814	3,608	4,447	1,956	469	600	10,344	9,804	5,566	5,130	15,910	14,934
1969-70—												
July	4,656	3,518	3,166	1,850	487	714	9,155	9,062	5,257	5,107	14,412	14,184
August	3,903	3,064	2,352	1,446	384	681	7,450	8,213	4,404	4,756	11,854	12,980
September	3,350	2,636	1,936	1,230	348	628	6,377	8,336	3,761	4,625	10,138	12,855
October	3,204	2,267	2,217	1,197	325	481	6,036	8,550	3,669	4,804	9,705	13,374
November	3,766	2,319	3,128	1,156	335	544	6,871	9,030	4,391	5,339	11,262	14,521
December	5,229	2,812	5,718	1,973	618	621	11,529	8,351	5,478	5,190	17,007	13,385
January	4,867	3,129	6,151	2,352	622	634	11,930	8,581	5,848	5,328	17,778	13,727
February	3,486	2,220	5,255	1,789	525	568	8,739	7,879	5,115	4,603	13,854	12,511
March	3,399	2,184	4,571	1,651	453	404	7,740	8,298	4,941	4,479	12,681	12,838
April	3,145	2,169	3,339	1,511	436	349	6,535	6,793	4,417	4,008	10,952	10,849
May	3,597	2,493	3,326	1,687	477	348	7,632	7,478	4,314	3,943	11,946	11,424

SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS: AUSTRALIA

Period(a)	Sickness	Special		Period(a)	Sickness	Special	
		Ordinary	Migrant(d)			Ordinary	Migrant(d)
June				1969-70—			
1965	10,187	2,423	90	September	8,436	4,181	317
1966	10,220	2,329	222	October	8,579	4,133	291
1967	10,459	2,148	322	November	8,906	4,058	252
1968	9,370	2,665	299	December	7,635	3,798	257
1969	8,185	4,187	398	January	8,183	4,036	427
1968-69—				February	8,610	4,170	211
March	7,931	3,947	591	March	8,306	4,383	226
April	8,054	3,963	334	April	8,837	4,055	270
May	8,229	4,070	450	May	9,141	4,004	344
June	8,185	4,187	398				
1969-70—							
July	8,463	4,264	368				
August	8,769	4,290	330				

(a) At last Saturday of month. (b) Excludes Torres Strait Islanders. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. (d) In Commonwealth centres or hostels awaiting their first placement in employment in Australia. (e) Revised. See note (b) page 7.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES(a): COMMODITY GROUPS*

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Groceries (b)	Butchers' meat	Other food (c)	Beer, wine and spirits	Clothing and drapery	Footwear	Hardware (d)	Electrical goods (e)	Furniture	Chemists' goods	News-papers, books and stationery	Other goods (f)	Total (exc. motor vehicles, etc.)	Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (g)
Quarterly average														
1959-60	195.5	96.7	167.6	131.4	217.0	36.1	35.3	93.5	57.3	54.0	38.9	113.2	1,236.3	413.7
1960-61	208.3	105.4	176.3	134.6	225.3	38.4	36.3	88.6	58.6	60.7	40.0	121.0	1,293.3	412.4
1961-62	214.6	105.6	182.5	136.5	225.0	38.7	36.5	87.0	57.5	66.5	41.6	122.4	1,314.3	400.8
1962-63	223.2	111.2	191.4	143.6	232.5	40.6	38.8	91.8	61.3	71.1	43.2	130.2	1,378.7	496.8
1963-64	235.0	117.4	198.6	148.3	253.8	42.8	38.4	97.5	68.1	76.4	47.7	140.6	1,464.5	551.6
1964-65	254.0	127.7	211.5	157.8	269.9	44.4	40.7	103.8	75.7	83.5	50.6	152.1	1,571.5	593.5
1965-66	272.9	137.2	222.5	171.2	280.1	45.1	41.0	100.3	77.9	90.5	53.4	163.2	1,655.3	592.3
1966-67	290.8	147.6	236.2	186.0	293.3	49.3	43.9	102.2	80.6	96.9	58.8	175.1	1,760.7	627.8
1967-68	312.5	153.9	249.5	202.8	311.7	52.2	45.9	111.5	89.0	104.2	63.0	183.4	1,879.4	701.7
1968-69	329.7	156.9	256.8	215.9	326.4	53.4	50.1	115.7	97.2	113.3	67.5	200.3	1,983.1	753.7
Quarterly totals														
1966-67—														
September	282.4	145.7	225.8	167.3	271.0	45.7	38.7	97.5	79.8	93.8	53.3	163.2	1,664.2	606.4
December	311.6	147.0	247.8	206.9	339.4	56.0	55.4	118.1	93.1	108.6	65.9	211.9	1,961.7	652.3
March	280.5	144.7	238.1	191.3	246.8	41.9	40.3	94.6	70.7	90.1	60.5	160.7	1,660.2	603.8
June	288.8	152.9	233.2	178.3	316.1	53.7	41.2	98.7	78.7	95.0	55.3	164.6	1,756.5	648.6
1967-68—														
September	302.8	155.9	238.4	181.6	297.2	50.0	40.9	102.8	87.6	100.2	56.9	172.5	1,786.8	683.5
December	330.6	154.0	260.6	223.9	362.6	60.5	58.6	129.5	103.6	117.1	70.3	220.4	2,091.7	717.4
March	305.9	148.7	250.7	215.5	257.9	44.1	41.5	107.4	78.3	97.2	66.1	167.7	1,781.0	668.4
June	310.7	156.9	248.1	190.0	329.1	54.3	42.4	106.2	86.4	102.3	58.6	173.1	1,858.1	737.5
1968-69—														
September	316.5	156.5	246.0	192.0	303.1	49.1	43.7	108.0	94.8	107.7	60.5	184.3	1,862.2	725.2
December	349.5	156.3	270.5	240.2	378.0	60.5	63.0	134.6	113.3	125.2	75.5	243.0	2,209.6	775.8
March	320.5	153.2	258.1	223.1	274.5	45.7	46.7	108.6	86.2	107.0	70.9	184.9	1,879.4	738.1
June	332.1	161.7	252.6	208.4	349.8	58.3	46.9	111.4	94.4	113.4	63.1	189.0	1,981.1	775.8
1969-70—														
September	337.2	163.2	259.1	212.4	321.8	52.8	49.3	116.3	104.3	119.2	65.8	199.8	2,001.2	818.5
December	371.2	169.7	286.5	258.5	400.4	64.7	70.2	146.6	122.5	138.2	80.4	264.4	2,373.3	851.5
March p			1,022.1				595.2				394.8		2,012.1	795.9
Monthly total														
1969—														
December	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	948.2	..
1970—														
January p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	692.5	..
February p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	644.2	..
March p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	675.4	..
April p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	708.0	..
May p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	750.0	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., jewellery, sporting goods, etc., but excludes grain and produce and business machines. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

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*Also seasonally adjusted—see next page.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES(a): COMMODITY GROUPS*

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Groceries (b)	Butchers meat	Other food (c)	Beer, wine and spirits	Clothing and drapery	Footwear	Hardware (d)	Electrical goods (e)	Furniture	Chemists goods	News-papers, books and stationery	Other goods (f)	Total (excl. motor vehicles etc.)	Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (g)
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED														
Quarterly totals														
1966-67—														
September	283.5	142.6	231.1	180.9	284.8	48.0	42.5	100.9	78.9	95.4	57.2	170.7	1,712.4	599.1
December	289.9	145.4	234.6	184.4	290.2	48.7	43.9	102.0	79.7	96.4	58.0	173.4	1,745.8	625.5
March	293.0	150.4	237.5	186.6	297.7	49.7	44.4	101.9	80.8	98.0	59.6	177.8	1,776.8	639.7
June	297.1	151.5	241.7	192.4	301.7	51.1	44.8	104.4	83.6	98.2	60.2	178.9	1,803.1	649.3
1967-68—														
September	304.9	153.4	245.2	196.4	311.5	52.3	45.2	107.3	86.5	101.6	61.4	181.1	1,847.4	673.9
December	308.1	152.8	247.0	200.1	311.8	52.9	46.2	111.3	88.4	104.3	62.2	180.8	1,872.5	689.7
March	317.5	152.6	250.7	208.4	308.4	51.9	44.9	114.7	88.2	103.6	63.7	183.4	1,884.2	690.6
June	317.5	155.6	253.7	204.1	313.7	51.5	46.7	112.8	92.4	106.7	64.6	188.1	1,908.9	744.9
1968-69—														
September	319.1	154.6	253.3	209.1	316.2	51.5	48.7	112.4	93.3	109.2	64.7	192.5	1,928.2	722.3
December	326.0	155.4	256.1	213.8	324.2	52.5	49.4	115.1	96.3	111.0	66.8	198.9	1,963.0	745.0
March	335.1	158.5	260.5	218.7	330.4	54.5	51.3	116.9	98.4	115.5	68.7	204.1	2,010.2	770.4
June	339.3	160.2	258.3	223.8	333.6	55.3	51.7	118.5	101.0	118.4	69.6	205.5	2,035.9	784.0
1969-70—														
September	341.3	161.1	267.0	229.8	338.9	55.4	54.1	121.6	102.8	120.6	71.0	210.1	2,071.4	811.9
December	345.3	167.9	271.2	230.2	340.4	56.1	55.1	122.6	104.0	122.7	70.9	216.3	2,107.5	817.7
March p.		1,034.6					693.9				425.0		2,154.1	836.7
Monthly total														
1969—														
December	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	713.3	..
1970—														
January p.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	714.9	..
February p.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	720.4	..
March p.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	723.7	..
April p.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	732.0	..
May p.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	739.5	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., jewellery, sporting goods, etc., but excludes grain and produce and business machines. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

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INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include hire purchase, time payment, budget account, and personal loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Non-retail finance businesses						
Quarterly average						
1964-65	140.2	16.4	21.8	178.3	1,055.2	..
1965-66	130.9	17.4	20.9	169.2	1,074.0	..
1966-67	135.5	20.9	21.1	177.5	1,103.8	..
1967-68	162.0	23.4	22.0	207.4	1,238.0	..
1968-69	182.5	28.6	22.0	233.1	1,389.8	..
Quarterly total						
1967-68—						
March	158.8	21.6	21.5	201.9	1,198.7	1,206.2
June	166.4	26.3	22.0	214.7	1,238.0	1,247.7
1968-69—						
September	168.3	23.6	22.5	214.4	1,270.0	1,274.4
December	191.0	36.4	23.9	251.3	1,336.6	1,317.6
March	177.7	26.9	20.9	225.5	1,347.7	1,356.3
June	193.0	27.3	20.8	241.1	1,389.8	1,400.6
1969-70—						
September	205.2	26.0	21.5	252.7	1,438.8	1,444.1
December	215.3	31.7	24.0	270.0	1,499.2	1,478.1
March	206.2	25.5	20.8	252.4	1,522.4	1,532.3
Retail businesses						
Quarterly average						
1964-65	5.5	0.7	71.8	78.0	395.6	..
1965-66	4.8	0.8	64.8	70.5	360.3	..
1966-67	5.0	0.9	63.5	69.4	339.4	..
1967-68	5.3	0.9	66.3	72.4	338.4	..
1968-69	6.2	1.0	68.2	75.4	345.0	..
Quarterly total						
1967-68—						
March	4.9	0.8	55.1	60.9	336.6	337.7
June	5.8	1.1	67.2	74.1	338.4	339.7
1968-69—						
September	5.9	1.1	64.7	71.7	335.2	342.2
December	6.9	0.9	85.3	93.1	353.7	344.2
March	5.8	0.9	54.6	61.3	342.2	343.3
June	6.2	0.9	68.3	75.4	345.0	246.3
1969-70—						
September	5.2	0.8	66.7	72.7	338.6	345.8
December	6.0	0.7	90.7	97.3	363.5	353.7
March	5.5	0.5	58.0	64.0	353.3	354.5

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA—continued
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
All businesses						
Quarterly average						
1964-65	145.7	17.0	93.5	256.3	1,450.5	..
1965-66	135.7	18.2	85.7	239.6	1,434.3	..
1966-67	140.5	21.8	84.6	246.9	1,443.2	..
1967-68	167.2	24.3	88.3	279.8	1,576.4	..
1968-69	188.7	29.5	90.3	308.4	1,734.7	..
Quarterly total						
1967-68—March	163.7	22.5	76.6	262.8	1,535.3	1,543.8
June	172.1	27.4	89.2	288.8	1,576.4	1,587.4
1968-69—September	174.1	24.8	87.3	286.1	1,605.2	1,616.6
December	198.0	37.3	109.2	344.4	1,690.3	1,661.8
March	183.6	27.8	75.5	286.8	1,689.8	1,699.7
June	199.2	28.2	89.0	316.4	1,734.7	1,746.8
1969-70—September	210.4	26.8	88.2	325.4	1,777.4	1,789.9
December	221.2	32.4	114.7	368.3	1,862.7	1,831.8
March	211.7	25.9	78.8	316.4	1,875.6	1,886.8

BALANCES OUTSTANDING(a), BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: STATES (\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales(b)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(c)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia
Non-retail finance businesses							
1968—December	496.1	315.6	216.6	122.9	140.5	44.9	1,336.6
1969—March	501.9	322.3	216.7	125.2	136.4	45.1	1,347.7
June	517.1	334.4	221.0	128.7	143.2	45.3	1,389.8
September	534.3	347.3	226.5	135.2	149.6	46.0	1,438.8
December	556.8	365.9	231.1	140.3	157.6	47.4	1,499.2
1970—March	564.0	376.6	233.1	144.1	157.0	47.6	1,522.4
Retail businesses							
1968—December	160.9	85.2	46.1	27.0	27.4	7.1	353.7
1969—March	154.5	83.0	44.7	25.8	27.3	6.9	342.2
June	156.0	84.9	44.5	24.9	27.8	6.8	345.0
September	154.2	83.0	44.3	24.3	25.9	6.9	338.6
December	166.6	88.7	47.0	26.8	27.0	7.3	363.5
1970—March	160.9	87.4	45.9	26.3	25.6	7.2	353.3
All businesses							
1968—December	657.1	400.8	262.7	149.9	167.8	52.0	1,690.3
1969—March	656.4	405.3	261.4	151.0	163.7	52.0	1,689.8
June	673.1	419.3	265.5	153.6	171.0	52.2	1,734.7
September	688.4	430.3	270.8	159.5	175.5	52.8	1,777.4
December	723.5	454.6	278.1	167.1	184.6	54.7	1,862.7
1970—March	724.9	464.0	279.0	170.4	182.5	54.8	1,875.6

(a) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

Non-retail finance businesses

(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period(a)				Collections during period(b)	Balances outstanding at end of period(b)		
	Motor vehicles, etc.		Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods		Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	New	Used						
Monthly average	31.0		3.5	8.9	43.4	56.7	803.5	..
1960-61	14.7	14.1	3.5	7.2	39.4	45.0	756.3	..
1961-62	17.9	19.1	3.9	7.2	48.0	54.6	832.5	..
1962-63	21.1	21.2	4.4	7.0	53.7	58.6	939.2	..
1963-64	24.1	22.7	5.4	7.2	59.4	63.9	1,055.0	..
1964-65	22.6	21.0	5.8	7.0	56.4	68.5	1,074.0	..
1965-66	22.9	22.3	7.0	7.0	59.2	71.2	1,103.6	..
1966-67	28.3	25.7	7.8	7.3	69.1	75.5	1,237.0	..
1967-68	31.1	29.7	9.5	7.3	77.7	84.4	1,389.8	..
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
March	29.0	25.5	7.4	7.2	69.1	81.1	1,198.7	1,206.2
April	28.8	25.4	8.1	6.9	69.2	75.0	1,210.5	1,218.5
May	32.1	29.0	9.2	7.9	78.2	82.0	1,227.1	1,233.3
June	26.1	24.9	8.9	7.3	67.2	71.9	1,238.0	1,247.7
1968-69—								
July	28.6	28.4	9.4	7.4	73.7	83.5	1,247.9	1,255.9
August	27.5	28.7	6.9	7.5	70.6	77.8	1,258.3	1,264.4
September	27.5	27.6	7.3	7.7	70.1	76.0	1,270.0	1,274.4
October	33.6	32.1	13.1	7.5	86.3	84.5	1,294.0	1,290.3
November	32.2	30.3	13.4	7.7	83.6	78.2	1,319.3	1,306.0
December	33.2	29.6	10.0	8.6	81.5	83.8	1,336.6	1,317.6
January	28.1	30.3	8.6	7.2	74.3	84.0	1,346.5	1,330.2
February	28.0	27.6	9.5	6.8	71.9	93.9	1,342.7	1,342.3
March	33.4	30.3	8.7	6.9	79.4	94.4	1,347.7	1,356.3
April	31.9	29.1	8.7	6.5	76.3	83.5	1,359.6	1,368.6
May	36.4	33.1	9.6	7.2	86.3	89.5	1,377.2	1,383.8
June	32.7	29.8	9.0	7.0	78.5	84.7	1,389.8	1,400.6
1969-70—								
July	35.6	35.1	10.5	7.4	88.7	92.3	1,409.5	1,418.2
August	32.4	32.5	7.4	6.9	79.2	83.9	1,425.0	1,431.9
September	37.1	32.4	8.1	7.2	84.8	90.8	1,438.8	1,444.1
October	38.2	36.5	10.8	7.6	93.1	96.1	1,460.6	1,456.3
November	33.4	32.1	9.9	7.5	82.8	84.1	1,479.0	1,463.9
December	38.2	36.9	11.0	9.0	95.1	97.5	1,499.2	1,478.1
January	31.0	35.6	7.5	7.0	81.2	90.9	1,507.7	1,489.6
February	32.6	35.1	8.3	6.9	82.9	95.9	1,516.7	1,516.1
March	36.1	35.7	9.7	6.8	88.4	102.7	1,522.4	1,532.3
April(c)	40.6	38.9	9.9	7.2	96.6	103.4	(d)1,542.5	(d)1,553.0

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(b) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(c) Preliminary estimates.

(d) Provisional estimate May 1970, \$m1,562 (original).

WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trades as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(\$ million)

Period						Net sales recorded		
						Taxable goods	Exempt goods	Total
Monthly average								
1959-60	.	.	.	.	.	170.0	392.4	562.4
1960-61	.	.	.	.	.	173.4	407.9	581.3
1961-62	.	.	.	.	.	175.0	402.6	577.6
1962-63	.	.	.	.	.	191.9	437.8	629.7
1963-64	.	.	.	.	.	199.4	509.7	709.1
1964-65	.	.	.	.	.	215.7	568.2	784.0
1965-66	.	.	.	.	.	220.4	592.6	813.0
1966-67	.	.	.	.	.	236.5	650.2	886.7
1967-68	.	.	.	.	.	258.0	699.5	957.5
1968-69	.	.	.	.	.	280.6	744.4	1,025.0
Taxable net sales at each rate of tax								

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(£'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials for use in—										Fuels and lubricants (d)	Auxiliary aids to production (e)	Munitions and war stores			
	Building and construction		Rural industries		Manufacturing				Total (c)							
					Motor vehicle assembly (a) (b)		Other (c)									
Class I. A		Class I. B		Class I. C (5)		Class I. C (1-4)		Class I.		Class II.		Class III		Class VII.		
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1959-60	5,378	3.5	1,338	0.9	13,184	8.6	61,160	39.7	81,060	52.7	4,356	2.8	4,850	3.1	2,070	1.3
1960-61	6,866	3.8	1,956	1.1	14,284	7.9	73,798	40.7	96,904	53.5	4,444	2.5	6,424	3.6	1,302	0.7
1961-62	4,558	3.1	2,044	1.4	8,124	5.5	57,706	39.3	72,432	49.3	4,280	2.9	5,164	3.5	1,592	1.1
1962-63	5,614	3.1	2,080	1.2	15,990	8.9	68,536	38.1	92,220	51.3	5,064	2.8	5,754	3.2	1,192	0.7
1963-64	6,416	3.3	2,706	1.4	17,376	8.8	75,092	38.0	101,590	51.5	4,800	2.4	6,018	3.0	2,312	1.2
1964-65	8,342	3.5	3,428	1.4	19,115	8.1	90,421	38.2	121,306	51.2	4,502	1.9	7,020	3.0	4,479	1.9
1965-66	7,808	3.2	3,363	1.4	17,321	7.2	84,651	35.0	113,141	46.8	4,032	1.7	7,706	3.2	7,159	3.0
1966-67	7,228	2.9	4,559	1.8	15,175	6.1	88,910	35.5	115,872	46.3	2,566	1.0	8,051	3.2	9,886	4.0
1967-68	8,324	3.1	4,928	1.8	18,403	6.9	94,348	35.2	126,003	47.0	2,253	0.8	6,925	2.6	10,436	3.9
1968-69	10,947	3.9	4,636	1.6	19,665	6.9	97,956	34.3	133,204	46.7	2,782	1.0	7,150	2.5	14,511	5.1
Monthly total																
1967-68—																
March	9,019	3.2	5,168	1.8	20,242	7.2	95,580	33.9	130,009	46.1	2,110	0.7	7,510	2.7	6,095	2.2
April	9,120	3.7	4,142	1.7	17,737	7.1	93,210	37.5	124,209	50.0	2,407	1.0	6,896	2.8	3,467	1.4
May	9,459	3.0	4,925	1.5	19,760	6.2	110,357	34.8	144,501	45.5	3,574	1.1	7,050	2.2	20,212	6.4
June	6,942	2.6	4,964	1.8	21,981	8.2	96,779	36.0	130,666	48.6	2,071	0.8	7,118	2.6	14,422	5.4
1968-69—																
July	11,351	3.9	5,395	1.8	24,880	8.4	96,309	32.7	137,935	46.8	2,235	0.8	7,448	2.5	21,382	7.2
August	11,121	3.8	5,031	1.7	20,186	6.8	104,543	35.4	140,881	47.7	1,244	0.4	7,043	2.4	7,060	2.4
September	10,705	3.5	5,788	1.9	21,297	6.9	100,245	32.6	138,035	44.9	2,910	0.9	7,386	2.4	21,666	7.0
October	11,709	3.6	4,905	1.5	17,470	5.4	103,215	31.9	137,299	42.4	3,637	1.1	8,144	2.5	51,327	15.9
November	12,410	4.3	5,813	2.0	16,101	5.5	104,052	35.7	138,376	47.5	1,681	0.6	7,739	2.7	12,157	4.2
December	9,692	3.7	3,516	1.4	16,613	6.4	92,070	35.6	121,891	47.1	3,218	1.2	6,397	2.5	6,996	2.7
January	11,033	3.7	5,518	1.8	23,142	7.8	107,207	36.1	146,900	49.4	2,541	0.8	7,941	2.7	6,174	2.1
February	10,215	3.8	4,561	1.8	17,198	6.4	90,068	33.7	122,043	45.7	3,150	1.2	7,568	2.8	5,522	2.1
March	11,771	4.9	3,312	1.4	15,059	6.3	84,467	35.5	114,609	48.1	1,511	0.6	5,891	2.5	10,573	4.5
April	9,989	3.6	4,563	1.7	21,316	7.7	94,581	34.5	130,449	47.5	2,666	1.0	6,696	2.4	10,213	3.7
May	11,032	3.9	3,313	1.2	20,791	7.3	102,417	35.9	137,553	48.3	3,997	1.4	6,973	2.4	11,151	3.9
June	10,341	3.6	3,917	1.3	21,937	7.6	96,345	33.3	132,540	45.8	4,598	1.6	6,575	2.3	9,918	3.4
1969-70p—																
July	13,710	3.9	4,611	1.3	28,610	8.2	114,796	33.0	161,727	46.4	4,214	1.2	7,954	2.3	7,233	2.0
August	10,420	3.5	4,481	1.5	26,703	9.0	96,160	32.5	137,764	46.5	3,471	1.2	7,553	2.6	5,692	1.9
September	10,810	3.4	4,150	1.3	20,921	6.6	104,128	32.8	140,009	44.1	4,009	1.3	8,021	2.5	9,356	2.9
October	11,040	3.1	4,733	1.4	21,448	6.2	117,080	33.7	154,301	44.4	4,994	1.4	8,305	2.4	17,834	5.1
November	10,126	3.3	4,154	1.4	22,503	7.3	103,113	33.5	139,896	45.5	4,646	1.5	7,012	2.3	4,718	1.5
December	10,261	3.4	3,415	1.1	18,375	6.0	97,600	31.8	129,651	42.3	4,493	1.5	8,451	2.8	27,404	8.9
January	10,540	3.3	3,883	1.2	24,243	7.6	113,369	35.4	152,035	47.5	3,445	1.1	8,720	2.7	4,820	1.5
February	10,785	3.4	4,759	1.5	20,970	6.6	97,199	30.7	133,713	42.2	4,129	1.3	7,386	2.3	5,373	1.7
March	9,551	3.3	4,254	1.5	24,379	8.5	100,620	35.0	138,804	48.3	1,302	0.5	7,145	2.5	2,062	0.7
April	12,753	3.7	3,974	1.2	29,040	8.5	114,653	33.7	160,420	47.1	5,543	1.6	8,792	2.6	4,688	1.4

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts, completely knocked-down vehicles and components for the assembly of motor vehicles. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold by retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in classes VI, E-J and III, respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in class I. C. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping. see note (c). (f) Includes H.M.A.S. 'Brisbane'.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(*'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Capital equipment						Finished consumer goods							
	Producers' equipment		Transport equipment				Food, beverages and tobacco		Clothing and accessories		All other (a)		Total (a)	
			Complete road vehicles and assembled chassis(b)	Railway equipment, vessels and civil aircraft										
	Class IV.	Class V. B		Class V. A, C, D		Class VI. A, B, C		Class VI. D		Class VI. E-J		Class VI.		
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1959-60	27,660	17.9	2,126	1.4	4,906	3.2	6,116	4.0	930	0.6	20,032	13.0	27,078	17.6
1960-61	33,068	18.3	2,876	1.6	3,430	1.9	6,940	3.8	1,300	0.7	24,200	13.4	32,440	17.9
1961-62	28,330	19.3	2,070	1.4	3,150	2.1	6,604	4.5	1,054	0.7	22,416	15.2	30,074	20.4
1962-63	34,488	19.2	3,862	2.1	3,118	1.7	6,834	3.8	1,212	0.7	26,054	14.5	34,100	19.0
1963-64	39,274	19.9	4,740	2.4	3,270	1.7	7,648	3.9	1,394	0.7	26,276	13.3	35,318	17.9
1964-65	49,741	21.0	6,664	2.8	5,917	2.5	8,572	3.6	1,660	0.7	26,915	11.4	37,147	15.7
1965-66	55,966	23.1	6,223	2.6	7,689	3.2	9,131	3.8	1,763	0.7	28,712	11.9	39,606	16.4
1966-67	55,327	22.1	6,243	2.5	9,226	3.7	9,125	3.6	2,039	0.8	31,995	12.8	43,159	17.2
1967-68	58,289	21.8	7,418	2.8	8,456	3.1	9,467	3.5	2,580	1.0	36,089	13.5	48,136	18.0
1968-69	60,319	21.1	9,065	3.2	6,106	2.1	10,564	3.7	2,956	1.0	38,607	13.6	52,127	18.3
Monthly total														
1967-68—														
March	67,365	23.9	8,287	2.9	13,153	4.7	9,834	3.5	3,238	1.1	34,478	12.2	47,550	16.8
April	53,866	21.7	8,546	3.4	4,059	2.0	9,114	3.7	2,302	0.9	32,735	13.1	44,151	17.7
May	61,399	19.4	8,985	2.8	10,119	3.2	11,434	3.6	2,128	0.7	47,984	15.1	61,546	19.4
June	57,539	21.4	8,483	3.2	5,141	1.9	7,550	2.8	1,816	0.7	33,824	12.6	43,190	16.1
1968-69—														
July	61,877	21.0	8,652	2.9	4,760	1.6	11,831	4.0	2,468	0.8	36,391	12.4	50,690	17.2
August	64,064	21.7	10,374	3.5	10,573	3.6	9,756	3.3	3,382	1.1	40,890	13.9	54,028	18.3
September	65,181	21.2	11,225	3.7	4,207	1.4	12,334	4.0	3,631	1.2	41,051	13.3	57,016	18.5
October	56,384	17.4	9,335	2.9	4,625	1.4	10,872	3.4	2,600	0.8	39,418	12.2	52,890	16.4
November	59,006	20.2	8,560	2.9	11,518	3.9	10,313	3.5	2,448	0.9	39,726	13.6	52,487	18.0
December	56,641	21.9	9,472	3.7	4,219	1.6	11,462	4.4	2,304	0.9	36,285	14.0	50,051	19.3
January	67,414	22.7	8,583	2.9	6,663	2.2	9,984	3.4	3,657	1.2	37,362	12.6	51,003	17.2
February	55,253	20.7	7,467	2.8	11,910	4.5	10,788	4.0	3,697	1.4	39,621	14.8	54,106	20.2
March	47,358	19.9	7,862	3.3	3,041	1.3	9,881	4.2	3,385	1.4	33,943	14.2	47,209	19.8
April	61,723	22.5	8,891	3.3	1,003	0.4	11,126	4.0	2,948	1.1	38,674	14.1	52,748	19.2
May	63,747	22.4	8,571	3.0	4,144	1.5	9,449	3.3	2,183	0.8	37,195	13.0	48,827	17.1
June	65,203	22.5	9,788	3.3	6,598	2.3	8,982	3.1	2,765	0.9	42,747	14.8	54,494	18.8
1969-70p—														
July	75,810	21.8	10,096	2.9	19,726	5.7	11,200	3.2	3,483	1.0	46,919	13.5	61,602	17.7
August	61,660	20.8	10,610	3.6	5,870	2.0	9,933	3.3	4,054	1.4	49,470	16.7	63,457	21.4
September	67,078	21.1	10,065	3.2	6,658	2.1	12,714	4.0	3,888	1.2	55,610	17.5	72,212	22.8
October	72,789	21.0	10,792	3.1	13,513	3.9	12,834	3.7	3,522	1.0	48,546	13.9	64,902	18.7
November	63,590	20.7	9,004	2.9	14,231	4.6	11,635	3.8	2,778	0.9	50,329	16.3	64,742	21.0
December	63,675	20.7	8,953	2.9	4,677	1.5	11,586	3.8	3,814	1.2	44,066	14.4	59,465	19.4
January	75,101	23.5	10,769	3.4	5,352	1.7	12,043	3.8	5,440	1.7	42,246	13.1	59,729	18.6
February	74,418	23.5	9,012	2.8	16,957	5.4	10,168	3.2	4,977	1.6	50,704	16.0	65,849	20.8
March	67,242	23.4	8,658	3.0	4,573	1.6	12,288	4.2	4,124	1.4	41,360	14.4	57,772	20.0
April	79,113	23.3	12,373	3.6	5,793	1.7	12,510	3.7	3,786	1.1	47,344	13.9	63,640	18.7

(a) Includes a percentage of piece-goods to be sold by retail, see note (c), page 19. (b) Completely knocked-down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts are recorded in class I. C (5).

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials (class I.) (a)			Finished consumer goods (class VI.) (b)			Total imports of merchandise (all classes)				Total imports	
	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1959-60 . . .	25,668	12,062	43,348	1,392	3,074	22,612	27,060	22,262	104,784	154,106	155	..
1960-61 . . .	26,790	14,754	55,378	1,570	3,142	27,694	28,360	25,566	126,962	180,888	181	..
1961-62 . . .	23,408	11,174	37,940	1,466	3,016	25,594	24,874	20,988	101,230	147,092	147	..
1962-63 . . .	26,358	14,726	51,206	1,566	3,104	29,430	27,924	26,102	125,772	179,798	180	..
1963-64 . . .	29,032	15,670	57,076	2,128	3,090	30,116	31,160	27,040	139,122	197,322	198	..
1964-65 . . .	31,219	21,372	68,714	2,214	3,617	31,316	33,433	33,524	169,819	236,776	242	..
1965-66 . . .	31,350	16,913	64,879	2,483	3,665	33,458	33,833	28,585	179,104	241,522	245	..
1966-67 . . .	33,797	17,689	64,386	2,370	3,539	37,250	36,167	27,976	186,187	250,330	254	..
1967-68 . . .	34,960	18,405	72,638	2,213	3,697	42,226	37,173	28,662	202,081	267,916	272	..
1968-69 . . .	35,298	19,281	78,625	2,743	4,004	45,381	38,041	30,669	216,552	285,262	289	..
Monthly total												
1967-68—												
March . . .	32,158	20,134	77,717	2,219	4,685	40,646	34,377	31,517	216,185	282,079	286	294
April . . .	39,036	16,064	69,109	1,730	3,699	38,722	40,766	26,215	181,620	248,601	252	269
May . . .	41,198	21,793	81,510	3,064	4,723	53,759	44,262	34,859	238,265	317,386	322	308
June . . .	35,325	20,353	74,988	1,938	2,939	38,313	37,263	29,721	201,646	268,630	273	285
1968-69—												
July . . .	34,069	20,413	83,453	3,806	4,711	42,173	37,875	32,269	224,835	294,979	299	285
August . . .	39,034	19,856	81,991	3,380	3,462	47,186	42,414	29,152	223,700	295,266	299	279
September . . .	36,162	21,920	79,953	2,840	5,432	48,744	39,002	35,209	233,415	307,626	311	312
October . . .	35,037	23,493	78,768	2,403	4,072	46,415	37,440	35,992	250,208	323,640	327	302
November . . .	40,689	18,907	78,780	2,159	3,607	46,721	42,848	29,034	219,642	291,524	296	303
December . . .	30,770	16,506	74,614	3,226	4,409	42,416	33,996	28,486	196,402	258,884	263	292
January . . .	37,730	20,246	88,924	2,126	3,773	45,104	39,856	31,625	225,738	297,219	301	281
February . . .	34,739	15,930	71,374	2,673	4,982	46,451	37,412	27,956	201,651	267,019	271	293
March . . .	31,815	16,981	65,812	2,806	3,411	40,992	34,621	25,764	177,668	238,053	242	249
April . . .	33,201	18,487	78,762	2,816	4,005	45,927	36,017	29,663	208,710	274,390	279	289
May . . .	38,879	19,547	79,127	2,232	3,544	43,051	41,111	31,769	212,083	284,963	289	285
June . . .	31,465	19,090	81,985	2,445	2,638	49,410	33,910	31,124	224,679	289,713	294	309
1969-70p—												
July . . .	41,195	23,906	96,626	2,904	4,050	54,648	44,099	37,875	266,388	348,362	352	319
August . . .	34,705	19,388	83,671	2,158	3,204	58,095	36,863	31,097	228,117	296,077	303	302
September . . .	32,820	23,248	83,941	3,745	4,406	64,061	36,565	36,781	244,062	317,408	323	311
October . . .	39,548	25,193	89,560	2,624	4,024	58,254	42,172	39,707	265,551	347,430	353	331
November . . .	36,190	23,099	80,607	2,262	3,773	58,707	38,452	36,208	233,179	307,839	312	324
December . . .	32,070	20,540	77,041	2,860	3,524	53,081	34,930	33,310	238,529	306,769	310	332
January . . .	35,295	26,516	90,224	2,636	3,733	53,360	37,931	38,804	243,236	319,971	328	318
February . . .	36,558	19,205	77,950	2,573	3,588	59,688	39,131	31,495	246,211	316,837	321	346
March . . .	33,210	21,398	84,196	2,527	4,788	50,457	35,737	32,218	219,603	287,558	291	325
April . . .	36,109	27,708	96,603	3,367	4,423	55,850	39,476	43,127	257,759	340,362	346	316

(a) See footnote (c), page 19.

(b) See footnote (a), page 20.

Note. Class II, consists entirely of goods 'simply transformed' and classes IV., V. and VII, entirely of goods 'more elaborately transformed'. Class III, is about equally divided between goods 'simply' and 'more elaborately transformed'.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Meats	Dairy produce	Wheat and flour	Dried, fresh and preserved fruit	Sugar	Ores and concentrates		Road motor vehicles	Wool		Total exports of merchandise	Total exports	
						Non-ferrous	Iron		Original	Seasonally adjusted		Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
1959-60	14,772	7,355	12,827	5,124	4,445	3,724	4	} n.a.	64,360	..	154,326	156	..
1960-61	12,044	5,489	20,258	4,873	5,845	4,613	44		55,742	..	154,674	161	..
1961-62	14,944	5,917	26,670	5,940	5,649	4,037	74		62,088	..	177,980	180	..
1962-63	18,810	6,443	20,715	6,211	7,587	3,703	43		63,272	..	178,172	179	..
1963-64	20,292	7,329	33,712	7,371	13,042	4,744	44		80,080	..	230,192	232	..
1964-65	23,891	8,702	27,902	6,852	9,390	6,751	91	} n.a.	67,256	..	214,930	221	..
1965-66	23,979	7,423	24,097	8,673	7,827	7,583	251		65,404	..	219,460	227	..
1966-67	23,235	9,162	32,077	7,877	8,295	8,359	3,834		67,212	..	244,549	252	..
1967-68	23,263	7,270	30,569	8,747	8,132	10,226	8,589		59,645	..	244,599	254	..
1968-69	23,816	6,156	23,397	7,707	10,184	11,910	14,959		66,292	..	270,013	281	..
Monthly total													
1967-68—													
April	17 880	5 161	25 200	14 611	4 219	12 579	9 821	4 220	59 173	59 974	229 990	240	251
May	26 786	5 256	22 004	18 765	6 478	9 055	10 684	5 809	69 298	70 825	284 948	293	266
June	22 502	5 372	29 843	14 953	4 521	11 387	10 627	5 164	59 839	62 605	258 191	272	286
1968-69—													
July	25 350	4 454	18 518	12 510	6 264	9 860	11 054	5 071	63 163	60 331	254 849	264	252
August	28 280	4 617	27 953	9 480	12 952	13 808	13 742	4 632	40 404	60 925	257 527	268	277
September	24 637	5 366	23 549	5 361	18 476	9 115	11 666	5 547	37 307	56 492	233 716	239	253
October	28 890	11 328	21 235	6 303	19 523	13 562	14 681	5 510	70 586	65 726	286 580	298	273
November	15 313	6 472	17 833	3 397	6 029	11 788	15 902	4 343	73 395	64 980	249 575	263	262
December	23 257	11 639	19 149	3 177	23 459	12 073	13 271	4 496	82 622	74 814	294 507	302	309
January	23 285	9 258	20 692	4 705	5 874	8 080	13 460	4 075	89 422	70 163	267 783	283	272
February	21 916	7 066	29 947	2 559	8 472	12 321	13 275	4 806	70 900	68 989	270 758	288	292
March	18 623	3 363	27 833	4 913	4 588	8 687	16 985	4 038	75 386	69 703	263 942	275	296
April	18 053	3 534	27 697	13 346	3 849	13 071	16 002	4 382	67 734	68 557	273 832	283	297
May	26 595	3 140	21 531	13 768	9 595	16 577	17 555	5 651	57 119	60 257	294 962	307	292
June	31 601	3 639	24 841	12 963	3 137	13 994	21 922	6 300	67 499	68 094	292 252	304	305
1969-70p—													
July	47 371	5 024	32 148	8 196	4 421	12 555	20 631	5 606	76 800	70 718	337 408	350	332
August	45 119	4 210	41 201	3 645	16 726	12 509	23 773	7 824	43 793	70 862	321 312	331	358
September	34 953	5 072	27 921	5 957	13 995	12 596	15 387	6 750	38 275	55 391	309 002	332	337
October	20 956	9 429	34 329	5 814	22 165	18 652	28 664	9 625	70 494	67 913	356 257	369	338
November	33 162	11 150	22 977	2 671	15 110	17 020	19 664	6 255	70 549	63 730	312 118	323	339
December	32 469	14 653	29 561	2 763	6 787	10 223	22 484	5 827	68 720	60 387	312 015	320	331
January	34 147	10 649	26 897	3 517	5 978	18 688	23 842	5 068	82 207	66 564	346 477	359	362
February	33 121	15 263	25 337	2 615	7 271	19 227	27 832	7 048	63 116	61 218	335 721	344	347
March	30 598	5 246	25 351	6 689	4 862	16 796	21 323	8 031	65 719	64 620	343 348	350	393
April	26 651	4 843	30 313	11 854	4 308	19 393	25 286	7 182	54 097	47 873	287 350	299	289
May	40 777	5 567	30 991	19 035	7 271	26 412	23 010	14 131	65 855	74 161	385 817	400	400

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60=100. A full description of the index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Commonwealth Year Book No. 55, 1969.

(Base of each index: Year 1959-60=100)

Period	Wool	Meats	Dairy produce	Cereals	Dried and canned fruits	Sugar	Hides and tallow	Metals and coal	Gold	All groups
1959-60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960-61	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62	97	100	81	106	95	91	84	91	100	96
1962-63	104	101	88	107	90	107	72	89	100	101
1963-64	120	105	93	107	98	175	73	101	100	114
1964-65	102	110	94	107	100	100	91	123	101	105
1965-66	107	120	86	107	102	84	107	122	101	107
1966-67	103	124	84	114	101	67	89	117	101	105
1967-68	95	125	79	109	95	67	67	120	104	100
1968-69	99	131	72	104	97	72	73	123	117	102
1967-68—										
March	98	121	75	109	90	62	66	125	100	101
April	98	121	74	107	91	61	65	125	105	101
May	98	122	73	108	91	56	64	119	111	100
June	98	126	73	109	92	62	65	120	119	101
1968-69—										
July	96	127	73	107	95	81	64	120	119	101
August	96	128	73	107	95	86	65	118	107	101
September	98	128	73	107	95	95	66	120	111	102
October	102	134	73	106	95	66	66	120	114	104
November	104	130	72	107	95	53	68	119	112	104
December	100	127	72	105	96	54	70	121	112	102
January	100	127	72	103	97	69	71	121	116	102
February	100	129	72	103	97	65	74	123	121	102
March	98	128	72	102	98	66	79	123	122	101
April	98	130	72	101	99	75	84	127	124	102
May	98	136	72	102	98	79	86	128	125	103
June	96	144	72	101	98	78	86	130	121	103
1969-70—										
July	92	150	72	101	p99	86	86	134	119	p102
August	92	148	72	99	p99	107	92	137	118	p103
September	92	156	72	98	p99	89	95	138	118	p103
October	89	149	73	98	p98	111	94	138	117	p102
November	87	139	72	98	p98	95	95	144	112	p100
December	87	p139	73	98	p98	77	93	147	103	p99
January	87	p141	73	94	p101	p89	92	150	102	p100
February	p85	p149	74	93	p100	p90	91	152	102	p100
March	p83	p151	73	93	p98	p93	94	150	102	p99
April	p85	p152	74	94	p97	p101	97	151	102	p101

INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

The tables below present quarterly and annual indexes of the values of Australian exports and imports of merchandise at average 1966-67 prices. A description of these measures is given in the first issue of the bulletin *Exports and Imports of Merchandise at Constant Prices* (Ref. No. 8.21) published on 10 October 1968.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE (Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food and live animals			Total food and live animals	Wool and sheepskins	Metal-liferous ores and metal scrap	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other exports	All exports of merchandise(a)	
	Meat and meat preparations	Cereal grains and cereal preparations	Other (dairy produce, fruit, sugar, etc.)						Original	Seasonally adjusted
Percent of total value of exports in 1966-67(b)	9.5	15.8	12.5	37.8	29.7	5.6	14.2	12.7	100.0	..
1963-64	Not available								90	..
1964-65									89	..
1965-66									90	..
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	..
1967-68	100	94	99	97	102	147	100	121	105	..
1968-69	98	80	102	92	107	211	116	147	114	..
Quarter ended										
1967-68—										
December	111	102	104	105	110	134	93	123	109	105
March	98	81	88	88	109	149	90	112	101	104
June	96	80	111	94	109	167	112	136	110	107
1968-69—										
September	104	77	100	91	82	185	126	138	105	109
December	95	64	134	95	120	211	108	156	119	114
March	92	94	78	88	121	194	106	132	112	116
June	103	85	95	93	106	256	125	161	119	116
1969-70p—										
September	156	107	88	113	94	255	148	191	130	136
December	115	96	112	106	125	299	146	157	135	129
March	130	100	94	106	124	308	159	178	139	144

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE (Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food, beverages and tobacco	Fuels	Basic materials	Chemicals (including plastics)	Textiles, fabrics, etc.	Metal manu- factures, machinery, transport equipment	Other imports	All imports of merchandise(a)	
								Original	Seasonally adjusted
Percent of total value of imports in 1966- 67(b)	5.2	8.2	7.4	9.9	8.0	43.3	18.0	100.0	..
1963-64	}	Not available						81	..
1964-65								98	..
1965-66								98	..
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	..
1967-68	99	100	107	109	107	111	111	109	..
1968-69	110	105	106	123	114	116	121	116	..
Quarter ended									
1967-68—									
December	94	102	105	93	95	94	106	98	101
March	109	98	106	122	113	120	114	115	116
June	103	107	113	115	108	116	115	113	114
1968-69—									
September	111	100	120	124	117	124	127	121	116
December(c)	112	106	107	131	116	120	121	119	122
March(d)	110	107	95	116	112	107	114	109	110
June	106	106	103	123	111	112	121	113	114
1969-70p—									
September	116	112	116	132	124	130	141	128	122
December	122	119	109	133	122	128	141	128	132
March	119	109	105	123	119	124	130	122	123

(a) The series shown for years prior to 1966-67 are not strictly comparable to the series shown from 1966-67 onwards (see the bulletin referred to at the head of this page). (b) These percentages may be used in analysing the contribution of each group to movements in the total index. (c) Includes, in October 1968, H.M.A.S. 'Brisbane' valued at \$36.8 million at current prices. (d) Imports in February and March 1969 were affected by industrial disputes in ports on the East Coast of U.S.A. and Canada.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

The table below contains particulars of selected groups and 'All Groups' of the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index. As indicated in the next paragraph, the index is outmoded. It is published for current months in the form shown in the table as an interim service mainly to meet the needs of those who, for special purposes, require the particular series included. Publication of these index numbers will be discontinued, with advance notice, as new measures now in course of preparation are published.

The weighting system adopted in this index is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of included commodities in Australia in 1928-29 to 1934-35. The validity of the weighting and the representativeness of the index have become increasingly affected by changes in usage and in industrial structure. New series of wholesale price index numbers relating to materials used and articles produced by defined areas of the economy are being developed. The first of these indexes, referring to materials used in building other than house building, was published in statistical bulletin Ref. No. 9, 6 of 23 April 1969 (see pages 26 and 27). Work continues on the preparation of two further measures relating to materials used in house building and in manufacturing industry respectively. Taken together these first three series will, to a considerable extent, constitute a currently representative replacement for the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index. In this regard, it should be noted that the Building Materials group has been largely superseded by the new index referred to above.

Commodities in the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants.

(Base of each index: Average of three years ended June 1939 = 100)

Period	Basic materials			Foodstuffs and tobacco	Basic materials and foodstuffs Total all groups (c)
	Metals and coal(a)	Building materials(b)	Total (b) (c)		
1959-60	395	431	347	348	348
1960-61	399	439	346	372	360
1961-62	392	439	340	332	336
1962-63	388	439	336	342	340
1963-64	383	473	339	352	346
1964-65	391	503	345	364	355
1965-66	390	507	355	385	371
1966-67	396	511	362	401	383
1967-68	397	514	361	411	388
1968-69	407	537	370	405	389
1967-68—					
March	399	515	363	400	383
April	400	519	364	419	394
May	399	519	364	428	399
June	396	523	364	428	399
1968-69—					
July	394	524	364	425	397
August	395	525	363	412	390
September	397	528	364	407	387
October	400	532	367	401	385
November	403	533	368	396	383
December	402	533	367	396	383
January	408	534	369	397	384
February	411	541	372	399	387
March	411	543	373	406	391
April	416	550	377	409	394
May	420	550	378	408	394
June	423	553	379	405	393
1969-70—					
July	429	555	381	406	395
August	429	555	379	405	393
September	431	557	379	406	394
October	432	555	379	401	391
November	434	555	379	399	390
December	437	555	380	399	390
January	447	548	381	403	393
February	446	547	380	402	392
March	445	547	p380	p408	p395
April	p447	548	p381	p412	p398

(a) Special purpose index for the 'Metals and coal' group excluding coal and briquettes: April 1970, 562. (b) This index is subject particularly to movements in the prices of imported softwood timber, a major component of the group. See also paragraph 2 of notes at head of table and pages 26 and 27. (c) In addition to the groups shown, includes Oils, fats and waxes; Textiles; Chemicals; and Rubber and hides.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 53, 1967.

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS

WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement, sand, etc.	Cement products	Bricks, stone, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel and iron products	Aluminium products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures	Miscellaneous materials	Electrical installation materials (b) (c)	Mechanical services components (b)	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	101.5	102.2	103.7	103.0	102.3	101.4	105.9	102.8	102.3	100.9	101.4	102.2
1968-69	103.5	106.8	108.2	107.2	106.1	103.9	106.8	103.3	103.2	102.1	107.7	105.6
1967-68—												
March	101.5	102.1	104.1	103.3	103.3	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.7	104.0	102.7	103.3
April	101.6	103.4	104.1	103.7	103.5	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.7	103.5
May	101.6	104.0	104.1	103.9	103.6	101.3	106.4	102.6	102.8	100.9	104.0	103.2
June	101.7	104.3	104.9	104.2	103.7	102.4	101.2	102.6	102.7	100.9	104.8	103.3
1968-69—												
July	101.9	104.3	105.1	104.2	103.9	102.9	100.3	102.5	103.3	100.9	105.3	103.5
August	102.1	104.4	105.5	104.8	103.9	103.0	100.4	102.0	103.3	99.0	105.6	103.5
September	102.1	104.5	105.6	105.0	104.5	102.9	101.3	102.0	103.3	99.0	106.0	103.8
October	102.1	104.8	106.5	105.3	105.0	104.0	102.3	102.0	103.1	99.0	107.0	104.2
November	102.0	105.4	108.7	106.4	105.5	104.0	102.8	102.2	103.1	100.2	108.1	104.9
December	104.5	106.9	109.1	107.4	105.7	104.3	105.3	103.0	102.7	100.2	108.1	105.5
January	104.6	107.1	109.2	107.5	106.8	104.4	105.4	102.6	102.5	100.2	108.1	105.9
February	104.7	107.5	109.4	108.0	107.1	104.1	109.5	102.5	103.3	104.1	108.3	106.5
March	102.8	107.8	109.6	108.5	107.3	104.0	109.9	104.5	103.3	104.6	108.7	106.6
April	105.0	109.1	109.6	109.2	107.5	104.1	111.7	105.3	103.4	105.0	108.9	107.2
May	105.0	109.7	109.6	109.4	108.0	104.4	114.8	105.3	103.6	105.7	109.2	107.6
June	105.1	109.9	109.9	110.1	107.9	105.1	117.9	105.3	103.6	107.2	109.4	107.9
1969-70—												
July	105.3	110.1	110.1	110.1	107.9	105.4	118.6	107.8	103.9	108.4	109.5	108.2
August	106.8	110.3	110.1	110.5	108.0	105.6	121.2	109.2	104.3	109.3	109.7	108.6
September	107.0	110.6	110.5	110.6	108.3	105.8	124.9	109.4	105.1	111.3	109.3	109.1
October	107.1	110.9	111.2	110.9	108.4	106.2	123.1	110.4	105.4	111.2	109.3	109.2
November	107.1	111.1	111.2	110.9	108.6	106.1	123.8	112.2	105.8	110.5	109.4	109.3
December	107.2	111.2	111.4	110.9	108.7	106.2	127.8	114.1	105.8	112.7	109.4	109.7
January	108.1	111.8	113.0	111.0	110.1	106.7	128.4	114.1	105.9	112.8	109.8	110.4
February	108.1	112.2	113.9	111.0	111.2	108.1	127.3	117.3	106.3	112.9	114.2	111.5
March p	108.1	112.5	114.6	111.4	111.9	108.6	129.7	117.4	106.7	113.4	115.1	112.1
April p	108.2	112.9	114.9	111.9	112.7	110.0	132.2	117.5	107.0	115.1	115.3	112.8

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number. (b) The whole of the group Electrical Installation Materials and the majority of the items in the group Mechanical Services Components are based on Sydney and Melbourne price series. (c) The indicator used for this group is the Wholesale Price Index of Electrical Installation Materials which was issued quarterly up to February 1969, when monthly compilation was commenced.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

See note at top of page 26. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS—SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	State capital cities—separately and combined						Weighted average of six State capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	102.6	101.7	102.2	101.8	102.0	102.3	102.2
1968-69	106.5	105.0	105.1	105.0	104.7	105.1	105.6
1967-68—							
March	103.6	102.9	103.3	103.2	102.9	103.5	103.3
April	103.7	103.1	103.4	103.2	102.9	103.8	103.5
May	103.6	102.8	103.1	102.9	102.6	103.6	103.2
June	103.8	102.8	103.1	103.0	102.9	103.8	103.3
1968-69—							
July	104.1	102.9	103.2	103.4	103.1	103.8	103.5
August	104.2	102.9	103.0	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.5
September	104.6	103.2	103.1	103.4	103.5	103.8	103.8
October	104.9	103.9	103.5	103.7	103.8	104.0	104.2
November	105.6	104.6	104.3	104.2	104.4	104.5	104.9
December	106.5	104.8	105.5	104.6	104.5	104.7	105.5
January	106.8	105.2	105.9	105.1	104.8	105.1	105.9
February	107.5	105.8	106.5	105.8	105.5	105.5	106.5
March	107.9	106.0	104.9	106.4	105.7	106.1	106.6
April	108.3	106.4	106.7	106.5	105.8	106.1	107.2
May	108.8	106.6	107.5	106.9	106.0	106.6	107.6
June	109.2	107.1	107.6	107.1	106.4	106.9	107.9
1969-70—							
July	109.4	107.3	108.0	107.4	106.8	107.4	108.2
August	109.7	108.2	108.0	107.6	107.2	107.7	108.6
September	110.1	108.7	108.4	108.3	107.9	108.0	109.1
October	110.2	108.8	108.9	108.4	107.8	108.5	109.2
November	110.3	108.9	109.1	108.4	107.8	108.5	109.3
December	110.7	109.2	109.5	108.7	108.1	108.7	109.7
January	111.6	109.8	110.5	109.1	108.7	109.6	110.4
February	112.7	111.0	111.5	110.1	109.3	110.8	111.5
March p	113.4	111.5	111.9	110.9	110.3	111.1	112.1
April p	114.0	112.2	112.7	111.5	110.7	112.0	112.8

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.

PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.)

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -101-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Australia	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany (a)	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom (b)	United States of America
1962	98.1	98.1	96.5	99.5	98.2	96.8	98.7	97.7	100.3
1963	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1964	102.3	100.3	101.6	101.1	100.2	104.5	102.3	104.1	100.2
1965	105.8	102.4	103.1	103.5	-101.0-	105.6	105.6	105.4	102.2
1966	110.2	106.1	105.4	105.3	103.4	106.7	109.6	108.0	105.6
1967	112.5	108.0	104.6	104.4	105.3	106.9	112.3	107.5	105.8
1968	113.2	110.3	106	98.8	106.1	114.8	113.6	117.3	108.4
1969	114.1	115.4	115	101.0	108.5	121.0	116.3	121.3	112.7
Quarter									
1968—									
June	115.8	109.9	104.4	98.5	105.7	113.2	113.1	116.4	108.2
September	114.1	110.5	106	98.5	105.8	115.0	113.7	116.1	108.7
December	111.9	111.6	110	98.9	106.4	118.1	114.8	118.3	109.2
1969—									
March	112.9	114.1	112	99.6	106.8	118.1	115.0	119.6	110.9
June	114.9	115.8	114	100.1	107.7	121.0	116.0	120.3	112.3
September	114.8	115.7	115	101.1	108.9	122.9	116.4	121.4	113.1
December	113.8	116.2	120	103.3	110.4	122.1	117.8	124.1	114.3
1970—									
March									116.0

(a) Calculation of Wholesale Price Index including value added tax has been discontinued. Therefore the index numbers include turnover tax instead of value added tax for all years shown. (b) New series.

CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100.0)

Period	Australia (a)	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa (b)	United Kingdom	United States of America
1964	102.4	101.7	103.4	102.4	103.9	103.5	102.5	103.3	-101.3
1965	106.4	104.3	106.0	105.6	110.7	-107.0-	106.3	108.2	103.0
1966	109.6	108.2	108.9	109.5	116.4	110.0	110.1	112.5	106.0
1967	113.1	112.0	111.8	111.4	121.0	116.6	113.8	115.3	109.0
1968	-116.1-	116.6	116.9	113.1	127.5	121.6	115.8	120.7	113.6
1969	119.5	121.8	124.0	116.1	134.1	127.6	119.2	127.2	119.7
Quarter									
1968—									
December	-117.5-	118.3	119.5	113.8	129.8	124.1	117.2	122.7	115.6
1969—									
March	118.2	119.2	121.6	115.3	130.4	125.8	117.8	125.2	116.9
June	119.1	121.5	123.2	115.9	132.8	127.2	118.7	127.2	119.0
September	119.8	122.9	124.6	116.0	135.8	128.5	119.0	127.4	120.6
December	120.8	123.7	126.5	117.0	137.5	129.0	121.5	129.1	122.3
1970—									
March	122.0	124.9	128.5	119.4		131.8	122.4	131.5	124.2

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base: 1963=100.0. (b) White population.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index has been compiled for periods from September quarter 1948. A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 53, 1967.

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES (Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Food	Clothing and drapery	Housing	Household supplies and equipment	Miscel- laneous	All groups
1959-60	84.7	91.5	75.4	95.4	83.2	85.7
1960-61	90.2	93.4	80.8	96.6	85.5	89.2
1961-62	88.6	94.4	84.0	97.9	86.1	89.6
1962-63	87.8	94.7	86.5	97.7	86.6	89.8
1963-64	89.0	95.3	89.1	96.4	87.3	90.6
1964-65	93.9	96.8	92.0	97.2	91.4	94.0
1965-66	98.4	97.9	95.9	98.9	95.8	97.4
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	104.7	102.2	104.5	101.2	102.8	103.3
1968-69	105.8	104.3	109.1	102.9	107.5	106.0
Quarter						
1964-65—						
December	93.3	96.6	91.7	96.7	91.7	93.7
March	94.0	96.9	92.2	97.8	92.2	94.3
June	96.0	97.3	93.3	98.1	92.2	95.2
1965-66—						
September	98.4	97.3	94.1	98.5	92.6	96.2
December	98.6	97.6	95.6	98.8	95.9	97.4
March	97.8	97.8	96.2	98.8	97.2	97.6
June	98.8	98.7	97.8	99.5	97.3	98.4
1966-67—						
September	98.7	98.9	98.5	99.7	98.7	98.8
December	99.4	99.8	99.5	100.0	100.0	99.7
March	100.0	100.2	100.1	99.9	100.3	100.1
June	101.9	101.1	101.8	100.4	101.0	101.3
1967-68—						
September	104.8	101.4	102.9	100.6	101.8	102.7
December	103.9	102.1	104.2	101.1	102.8	103.0
March	104.6	102.3	104.7	101.1	103.1	103.4
June	105.6	102.8	106.0	101.9	103.6	104.2
1968-69—						
September	105.3	103.3	106.7	102.1	105.1	104.6
December	105.5	104.1	108.7	102.7	107.3	105.7
March	105.7	104.4	109.7	103.0	108.5	106.4
June	106.6	105.2	111.2	103.7	108.9	107.2
1969-70—						
September	106.6	106.0	112.8	103.7	110.0	107.8
December	107.1	107.2	114.7	103.9	110.9	108.7
March	108.7	107.9	116.2	104.0	112.0	109.8

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 29. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA (Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	State capital cities—combined and separately							Canberra
	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1959-60	85.7	86.5	85.3	84.2	86.2	84.8	85.6	87.6
1960-61	89.2	89.6	89.5	87.1	89.8	87.9	90.3	90.3
1961-62	89.6	89.9	89.8	88.4	89.5	88.2	90.7	91.6
1962-63	89.8	90.4	89.7	88.7	89.1	88.7	90.7	91.8
1963-64	90.6	91.4	90.4	89.6	90.2	89.8	91.7	92.5
1964-65	94.0	94.5	94.0	93.0	93.9	92.6	94.6	95.3
1965-66	97.4	97.7	97.5	97.5	97.0	96.1	98.0	98.1
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.3	102.9	102.9	104.6	102.6
1968-69	106.0	106.2	106.2	105.5	105.3	105.5	106.1	104.4
Quarter								
1964-65—								
December	93.7	94.2	93.7	92.6	93.9	91.8	94.5	95.2
March	94.3	94.7	94.5	93.5	94.2	92.8	94.9	95.5
June	95.2	95.6	95.5	94.2	94.9	93.8	95.8	96.3
1965-66—								
September	96.2	96.7	96.4	96.0	95.5	94.3	97.0	97.3
December	97.4	97.8	97.5	97.2	96.9	95.5	98.3	98.4
March	97.6	97.8	97.5	98.2	97.2	96.3	97.8	98.2
June	98.4	98.3	98.4	98.4	98.2	98.1	98.7	98.5
1966-67—								
September	98.8	98.8	98.9	99.0	98.6	98.8	98.6	98.9
December	99.7	99.9	99.6	99.7	99.7	99.3	99.2	99.7
March	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.3	100.2	100.3	100.6	100.1
June	101.3	101.1	101.6	101.0	101.5	101.6	101.5	101.3
1967-68—								
September	102.7	102.5	102.9	102.8	102.6	102.0	104.3	102.2
December	103.0	102.9	103.3	103.0	102.1	102.5	105.0	102.4
March	103.4	103.2	103.8	103.7	102.6	103.1	104.6	102.6
June	104.2	104.0	104.8	103.7	104.2	104.0	104.6	103.2
1968-69—								
September	104.6	104.4	105.1	104.7	104.2	104.3	105.0	103.5
December	105.7	105.9	106.0	105.3	105.2	104.9	105.8	103.9
March	106.4	106.7	106.6	105.8	105.5	105.6	106.5	104.8
June	107.2	107.6	107.2	106.3	106.4	107.0	107.0	105.2
1969-70—								
September	107.8	108.4	107.6	107.2	106.9	107.7	107.4	106.0
December	108.7	109.6	108.3	107.9	107.3	108.7	108.1	106.7
March	109.8	111.3	108.9	108.9	108.4	109.9	108.9	108.0

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, and whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per \$2 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE (Base of each index: Average of 3 years ended June 1939 = 1,000)(a)

Period	Twenty-three manufac- turing and distributing companies	Ten retail companies	Four pastoral and finance companies	Four insurance companies	Total seventy-five companies	Thirty-four active shares included in foregoing
1959-60	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1962-63	3,278	3,021	2,050	5,922	2,988	2,943
1963-64	3,607	3,186	2,507	6,045	3,254	3,261
1964-65	3,705	2,445	2,438	5,087	3,123	3,126
1965-66	3,327	1,969	1,907	4,677	2,826	2,778
1966-67	3,236	1,831	2,025	4,735	2,844	2,721
1967-68	3,781	2,197	1,947	5,697	3,387	3,145
1968-69	4,533	3,096	2,422	7,649	4,331	3,913
1967-68—						
April	3,846	2,406	1,899	6,035	3,509	3,206
May	4,207	2,591	2,090	6,262	3,825	3,498
June	4,462	2,865	2,193	6,376	4,077	3,699
1968-69—						
July	4,516	2,880	2,248	6,790	4,162	3,785
August	4,520	3,009	2,330	7,338	4,224	3,869
September	4,356	2,925	2,307	7,603	4,166	3,785
October	4,225	2,841	2,248	7,051	4,009	3,617
November	4,312	2,983	2,265	7,261	4,106	3,729
December	4,569	3,164	2,542	7,298	4,328	3,929
January	4,772	3,362	2,669	7,675	4,517	4,134
February	4,696	3,215	2,642	7,859	4,498	4,091
March	4,645	3,212	2,563	8,367	4,506	4,052
April	4,645	3,264	2,467	8,481	4,564	4,093
May	4,658	3,265	2,456	8,241	4,554	4,048
June	4,476	3,033	2,332	7,826	4,338	3,821
1969-70—						
July	4,507	3,071	2,402	7,726	4,361	3,820
August	4,383	3,010	2,353	7,630	4,345	3,754
September	4,328	3,030	2,378	7,530	4,331	3,728
October	4,418	3,143	2,404	7,763	4,364	3,800
November	4,423	3,194	2,243	7,884	4,451	3,820
December	4,396	3,251	2,279	7,489	4,442	3,918
January	4,410	3,309	2,233	6,916	4,462	3,914
February	4,298	3,186	2,188	6,921	4,417	3,823
March	4,199	3,197	2,185	6,825	4,346	3,758
April	4,054	2,998	2,131	6,287	4,199	3,592
May	3,691	2,817	2,023	6,039	3,846	3,272

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

End of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia		
							Rates	Index Nos. (Base: 1954 = 100.0)	
Weighted average minimum weekly rates of wage(a)									
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
June—									
1958	32.96	31.91	31.08	31.20	31.95	32.29	32.16	113.9	
1959	33.82	33.07	32.68	32.80	32.72	33.32	33.28	117.8	
1960	35.65	34.95	34.47	34.18	35.03	34.97	35.09	124.3	
1961	36.69	35.05	35.73	34.23	36.24	35.21	35.79	126.7	
1962	37.28	36.34	35.98	35.52	36.39	36.28	36.59	129.6	
1963	38.02	36.90	36.62	36.27	36.94	36.94	37.25	131.9	
1964	40.00	38.88	37.45	38.48	38.08	39.45	39.06	138.3	
1965	40.45	39.66	40.88	38.83	39.29	39.86	40.04	141.8	
1966	41.14	40.50	42.84	39.59	42.06	41.10	41.11	145.6	
1967	44.14	43.58	44.38	42.60	44.03	44.12	43.87	155.3	
1968—									
February	46.18	45.64	45.96	44.91	45.23	46.55	45.83	162.3	
March	46.34	45.71	45.98	45.15	45.40	46.62	45.95	162.7	
April	46.65	45.86	46.19	45.31	45.43	46.73	46.16	163.4	
May	46.91	45.92	46.28	45.38	45.57	46.82	46.31	164.0	
June	46.96	46.05	46.41	45.51	45.61	46.84	46.40	164.3	
July	47.00	46.31	46.47	45.60	45.64	46.87	46.51	164.7	
August	47.66	46.73	46.96	46.05	45.97	47.25	47.03	166.5	
September	47.76	46.92	47.01	46.21	46.05	47.35	47.15	167.0	
October	49.33	48.58	48.53	47.89	47.48	48.89	48.74	172.6	
November	49.36	48.71	48.60	47.99	47.59	48.92	48.82	172.9	
December	49.46	48.84	49.01	48.23	47.72	48.98	48.98	173.4	
1969—	r	r	r	r	r	r	r	r	
January	49.75	49.00	49.06	48.33	47.96	49.05	49.17	174.1	
February	49.92	49.04	49.08	48.34	47.98	49.13	49.26	174.4	
March	50.04	49.08	49.21	48.38	48.00	49.13	49.34	174.7	
April	50.06	49.22	49.29	48.40	48.36	49.17	49.42	175.0	
May	50.11	49.24	49.40	48.44	48.51	49.28	49.48	175.2	
June	50.24	49.46	49.64	48.63	48.52	49.45	49.65	175.8	
July	50.35	49.57	49.83	48.83	48.80	49.93	49.80	176.3	
August	50.38	49.60	49.83	48.84	49.09	49.94	49.85	176.5	
September	50.43	49.62	50.13	48.85	49.14	50.28	49.93	176.8	
October	50.51	49.66	50.17	48.87	49.16	50.29	49.98	177.0	
November	50.61	49.99	50.21	48.93	50.07	50.31	50.19	177.7	
December	52.28	51.68	51.90	50.67	50.67	51.97	51.79	183.4	
1970—									
January	52.31	51.68	51.90	50.68	50.67	51.97	51.81	183.4	
February	52.42	51.70	51.90	50.68	50.68	51.97	51.86	183.6	
March	52.43	51.70	51.92	50.69	50.68	51.99	51.86	183.6	

(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. Figures for July 1968 and subsequent months are subject to revision. (b) Excludes rural and shipping and stevedoring.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS(a) PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT(b)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on pay-roll tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. The figures relate to civilians only.

Period	New South Wales(c)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(d)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	Seasonally adjusted index(e)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1959-60	45.70	45.50	39.40	41.80	39.20	41.90	43.90	134.3
1960-61	48.10	47.20	41.60	43.40	41.60	43.30	46.00	140.6
1961-62	49.10	48.50	43.20	44.70	43.00	45.30	47.20	144.7
1962-63	50.20	50.10	44.40	45.80	44.20	45.90	48.40	148.3
1963-64	52.60	52.50	46.90	48.20	47.20	48.40	50.90	155.9
1964-65	56.50	56.40	50.40	52.00	49.50	51.00	54.60	167.3
1965-66	58.60	59.20	52.50	53.80	54.10	53.80	57.00	174.6
1966-67	62.40	63.00	55.60	56.90	58.30	57.40	60.70	186.0
1967-68	66.00	66.80	58.80	60.40	62.50	61.00	64.30	197.0
1968-69	71.60	71.20	62.60	64.30	67.20	64.10	68.90	211.7
Quarter								
1964-65—								
September	55.00	55.60	49.40	52.20	48.10	49.60	53.50	163.8
December	59.30	58.70	52.50	53.40	51.80	51.90	57.00	165.5
March	54.10	54.10	47.70	50.10	46.40	49.70	52.20	169.7
June	57.70	57.40	51.90	52.30	51.60	52.70	55.80	170.3
1965-66—								
September	58.20	59.20	52.60	54.60	53.10	50.50	56.80	172.4
December	60.30	61.40	55.30	55.30	55.50	56.40	59.00	173.6
March	56.90	55.60	49.20	51.40	52.40	53.10	54.60	175.9
June	58.80	60.50	52.70	53.80	55.30	55.20	57.70	176.4
1966-67—								
September	61.40	62.50	55.20	56.50	57.90	54.90	60.00	182.0
December	63.80	64.80	57.80	57.80	59.50	59.50	62.30	183.8
March	60.30	59.80	53.00	55.30	56.80	55.50	58.30	187.0
June	64.20	65.10	56.50	57.90	59.00	59.50	62.40	190.4
1967-68—								
September	64.80	66.10	58.10	60.00	60.90	58.80	63.40	194.1
December	67.40	69.20	61.40	61.60	63.80	63.30	66.20	195.9
March	64.00	63.50	55.70	58.80	60.80	58.90	61.90	197.6
June	67.70	68.30	59.80	61.30	64.30	62.90	65.90	201.2
1968-69—								
September	68.40	68.50	60.50	62.50	64.70	60.50	66.30	203.3
December	74.30	73.30	64.70	65.90	68.50	66.90	71.30	209.7
March	69.60	69.50	60.10	63.10	65.60	62.20	67.20	215.7
June	73.80	73.70	64.30	65.60	69.40	67.00	71.40	218.2
1969-70—								
September	74.90	75.00	66.60	67.70	72.00	67.20	72.80	221.7
December	80.60	80.00	71.40	72.30	76.60	72.60	77.50	223.6
March	73.50	73.10	64.70	67.40	71.60	65.40	71.30	224.0

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified, etc. (b) Total wages and salaries, etc., divided by the total number of civilian employees expressed in male units, i.e., total male employees plus 55 per cent of female employees. This proportion is derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Australia. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) All industries—Australia base 1953-54=100. There has been no change in the basis of seasonal adjustment of this series. It has not yet been adjusted by the programmes used for other Bureau series.

Note. Quarterly figures shown in money terms are affected by seasonal influences. Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, from December quarter 1963, comparisons with corresponding quarters of earlier years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

Period	New houses and flats							Other new buildings		Alterations(b) and additions		Total
	Private (c)			Government (c)		Total		Private (c)	Government (c)	Private (c)	Government (c)	
	Number(d)		Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	Value					
	Original	Season-ally adjusted						Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	
			Value		Value		Value*					
			\$'000		\$'000			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Monthly Average												
1959-60	7,587	..	47,162	1,066	6,062	8,653	53,224	22,502	11,346	11,654	1,894	100,620
1960-61	6,446	..	42,648	1,355	7,418	7,801	50,066	23,894	13,332	11,504	1,562	100,358
1961-62	5,886	..	39,882	1,180	6,666	7,066	46,548	22,794	15,352	11,578	1,440	97,712
1962-63	6,623	..	45,724	1,243	7,004	7,866	52,728	24,926	17,688	13,044	1,310	109,696
1963-64	8,127	..	56,930	1,575	9,278	9,702	66,208	25,844	23,724	14,022	1,324	131,126
1964-65	8,774	..	64,224	1,459	9,636	10,233	73,860	35,078	22,632	15,726	1,990	149,282
1965-66	7,966	..	61,495	1,216	8,243	9,182	69,738	33,392	25,168	14,669	1,596	144,563
1966-67	8,680	..	69,331	1,398	10,135	10,078	79,466	36,356	27,717	10,768	466	154,772
1967-68	9,904	..	83,054	1,107	8,590	11,011	91,644	40,053	35,673	11,407	546	179,323
1968-69	10,977	..	98,608	1,395	10,946	12,372	109,554	47,462	29,006	12,486	522	199,030
Monthly Total												
1967-68—												
April	9,597	10,025	82,005	977	6,799	10,574	88,804	35,701	38,927	10,856	681	174,969
May	11,701	10,499	97,836	1,185	9,965	12,886	107,801	45,804	55,881	13,318	603	223,407
June	10,381	10,649	95,804	1,223	8,863	11,604	104,667	55,878	29,998	11,639	464	202,646
1968-69—												
July	11,799	10,612	104,543	863	6,312	12,662	110,855	43,234	31,275	12,947	420	198,731
August	11,639	10,629	103,888	1,355	9,255	12,994	113,143	50,944	25,855	12,870	445	203,257
September	11,568	11,185	102,288	1,365	10,188	12,933	112,476	35,763	25,207	12,571	1,196	187,213
October	11,666	10,503	102,545	1,007	7,902	12,673	110,447	42,747	25,840	14,199	610	193,843
November	10,813	10,769	94,309	1,732	13,599	12,545	107,908	40,522	17,013	13,073	473	178,989
December	9,907	11,465	84,346	1,349	10,389	11,256	94,735	44,672	30,319	10,135	516	180,377
January	8,665	11,052	79,436	957	9,445	9,622	88,881	40,368	23,076	9,710	297	162,332
February	10,045	10,853	91,544	1,169	9,601	11,214	101,145	50,851	28,886	11,881	334	193,097
March	10,957	10,808	101,409	1,952	17,081	12,909	118,490	43,378	32,021	13,250	471	207,610
April	10,916	11,455	100,677	882	6,806	11,798	107,483	56,824	26,680	12,710	467	204,164
May	12,373	11,481	113,931	2,359	17,496	14,732	131,427	53,578	33,863	13,738	533	233,139
June	11,379	11,196	104,381	1,744	13,274	13,123	117,655	66,667	48,037	12,746	504	245,609
1969-70—												
July	13,251	11,754	124,099	1,778	14,242	15,029	138,341	65,727	31,398	13,633	680	249,779
August	12,246	11,826	114,906	1,526	12,047	13,772	126,953	51,686	22,635	13,413	323	215,010
September	12,151	11,308	115,415	1,547	12,517	13,698	127,932	56,038	41,146	14,442	348	239,906
October	12,597	11,566	116,413	1,802	14,338	14,399	130,751	58,617	46,294	15,183	311	251,156
November	11,792	12,008	110,195	1,888	14,691	13,680	124,886	57,972	28,631	14,135	469	226,093
December	12,027	13,360	115,836	1,660	14,447	13,687	130,283	66,225	55,546	11,626	320	264,000
January	9,130	12,089	91,421	843	6,945	9,973	98,366	68,048	46,661	10,777	433	224,285
February	11,169	12,073	113,014	1,052	8,640	12,221	121,654	46,912	32,403	13,003	315	214,287
March	11,276	12,123	109,770	1,348	11,047	12,624	120,817	91,007	32,047	14,612	655	259,138
April r	12,535	11,475	124,186	1,054	9,063	13,589	133,249	90,363	34,035	15,766	381	273,294
May	9,916	9,708	98,526	1,391	12,587	11,307	111,113	76,140	38,007	13,450	396	239,106

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. (b) Prior to 1 July 1966 additions of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States except New South Wales. From 1 July 1966, additions and/or alterations of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States. (c) Building is classified as 'Private' or 'Government' according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see pages 35 and 36

BUILDING APPROVALS

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)
(including alterations and additions)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$ m	\$ m
Monthly Average										
1959-60	38,976	29,986	10,910	8,856	5,778	3,262	624	2,228	100.6	..
1960-61	37,546	27,650	12,236	11,136	6,012	2,544	498	2,736	100.4	..
1961-62	37,570	26,274	10,754	9,448	6,638	3,150	658	3,220	97.7	..
1962-63	40,908	30,740	12,206	10,790	7,172	3,118	806	3,956	109.7	..
1963-64	47,164	36,142	15,382	14,474	10,368	2,876	966	3,750	131.1	..
1964-65	53,764	40,388	18,366	15,442	11,822	3,740	1,524	4,240	149.3	..
1965-66	48,854	42,211	20,586	12,604	11,051	4,072	1,289	3,895	144.6	..
1966-67	53,856	44,636	19,463	10,972	14,433	4,668	1,526	5,218	154.8	..
1967-68	61,959	46,484	23,579	13,702	21,067	6,201	2,443	3,888	179.3	..
1968-69	71,831	50,465	23,390	13,557	26,620	4,560	2,417	6,191	199.0	..
Monthly Total										
1967-68—										
April	55,807	48,190	21,815	13,491	20,097	9,194	3,631	2,744	175.0	187.3
May	81,458	53,247	36,106	10,228	22,790	15,092	1,493	2,993	223.4	194.7
June	71,998	49,136	23,328	11,837	31,157	5,303	4,789	5,098	202.6	190.5
1968-69—										
July	64,896	59,668	23,339	11,809	25,376	4,604	975	8,064	198.7	183.6
August	80,334	57,756	21,173	13,876	19,053	3,938	1,461	5,666	203.3	197.4
September	62,855	48,715	22,372	14,302	25,367	4,453	3,642	5,507	187.2	180.1
October	64,550	55,146	24,817	12,214	25,022	4,989	1,951	5,154	193.8	178.6
November	66,438	44,159	20,851	10,930	23,746	4,374	1,985	6,506	179.0	187.1
December	59,211	60,205	17,621	13,842	22,211	2,050	1,696	3,541	180.4	197.5
January	60,257	34,135	18,430	11,305	23,762	3,489	5,353	5,601	162.3	189.7
February	73,886	44,501	23,060	14,991	23,755	2,835	1,832	8,237	193.1	216.5
March	73,536	47,888	24,879	13,269	34,144	5,508	2,866	5,520	207.6	209.7
April	76,297	43,313	24,611	16,516	32,508	6,006	1,897	3,016	204.2	220.0
May	88,173	59,802	27,040	14,165	30,594	4,580	3,363	5,422	233.1	211.4
June	91,533	50,296	32,485	15,461	33,900	7,893	1,980	12,061	245.6	219.6
1969-70—										
July	83,672	65,430	30,141	15,094	41,622	5,144	4,538	4,138	249.8	229.1
August	76,657	56,345	24,549	14,095	28,204	7,931	2,133	5,096	215.0	220.6
September	82,487	57,836	28,717	11,523	31,606	6,471	4,191	17,075	239.9	221.6
October	80,529	82,423	28,427	16,613	28,525	5,162	2,169	7,308	251.2	232.0
November	76,852	56,517	23,683	15,050	39,902	4,083	2,035	7,971	226.1	248.4
December	91,212	62,425	20,171	18,707	27,987	5,011	28,905	9,582	264.0	274.6
January	85,125	47,812	19,413	22,458	38,346	3,545	3,885	3,701	224.3	274.2
February	68,177	52,088	21,245	21,569	35,687	4,874	2,168	8,479	214.3	239.2
March	81,799	75,258	37,991	15,595	30,316	4,409	3,702	10,068	259.1	289.8
April	107,756	67,604	30,854	19,035	34,419	5,082	3,670	5,374	273.8	257.1
May	83,521	54,593	33,256	15,930	27,082	3,916	4,813	15,995	239.1	226.7

(a) See footnote (a) page 34.

BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)

(Individual living units)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average										
1959-60	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653	..
1960-61	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801	..
1961-62	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066	..
1962-63	2,892	2,169	869	898	622	220	35	161	7,866	..
1963-64	3,624	2,670	1,049	1,145	773	234	51	156	9,702	..
1964-65	3,910	2,742	1,240	1,028	781	243	78	211	10,233	..
1965-66	3,271	2,456	1,313	911	767	220	62	182	9,182	..
1966-67	3,527	2,884	1,410	707	954	287	75	234	10,078	..
1967-68	3,951	3,208	1,359	643	1,260	311	111	167	11,010	..
1968-69	4,547	3,200	1,399	865	1,723	261	111	266	12,372	..
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
April	3,317	3,311	1,273	914	1,193	277	184	105	10,574	11,193
May	4,836	3,818	1,543	582	1,393	528	64	122	12,886	11,283
June	3,935	2,985	1,337	637	1,887	245	204	374	11,604	11,743
1968-69—										
July	4,733	3,640	1,541	673	1,574	276	28	197	12,662	11,484
August	4,875	3,631	1,430	1,045	1,466	273	81	193	12,994	11,944
September	4,425	3,407	1,651	771	1,861	321	163	334	12,933	12,473
October	4,418	3,645	1,486	705	1,715	279	82	343	12,673	11,384
November	4,646	3,304	1,386	807	1,758	315	46	283	12,545	12,506
December	3,874	3,602	1,083	687	1,527	169	116	198	11,256	12,491
January	3,921	1,681	1,252	668	1,377	272	192	259	9,622	12,599
February	4,399	2,364	1,398	701	1,731	187	146	288	11,214	12,506
March	4,616	3,168	1,531	808	2,005	237	112	432	12,909	12,720
April	4,659	2,656	1,204	936	1,818	231	117	177	11,798	12,531
May	5,198	4,174	1,466	1,245	1,936	270	178	265	14,732	13,364
June	4,794	3,127	1,359	1,331	1,903	302	79	228	13,123	12,793
1969-70—										
July	4,836	3,963	1,574	1,098	2,835	299	155	269	15,029	13,575
August	5,067	3,543	1,671	815	1,874	327	179	296	13,772	13,166
September	5,003	3,495	1,636	906	1,950	301	166	241	13,698	12,769
October	4,844	4,186	1,858	1,235	1,592	309	69	306	14,399	13,098
November	4,577	3,680	1,373	1,112	2,350	244	94	250	13,680	14,004
December	4,959	3,294	1,255	1,102	1,521	280	1,020	256	13,687	14,564
January	3,808	1,957	1,319	764	1,570	162	121	272	9,973	13,553
February	4,026	3,041	1,493	1,127	1,874	274	77	309	12,221	13,639
March	4,648	3,217	1,590	1,083	1,421	274	96	295	12,624	13,751
April	5,289	3,238	1,609	1,252	1,445	309	88	359	13,589	12,621
May	4,172	3,272	1,294	1,014	825	255	145	330	11,307	10,659

(a) See footnote (a) page 34.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

Period	Commenced							Completed			Under construction at end of period		
	Houses and flats	Other		Total		New private buildings		Houses and flats	Other	Total	Houses and flats	Other	Total
		Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted						
Quarterly average													
1964-65	215.7	188.4	..	404.1	..	302.2	..	205.7	160.9	366.6	433.1	823.2	1,256.3
1965-66	211.3	193.9	..	405.2	..	302.8	..	217.5	184.4	401.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67	235.9	209.3	..	445.2	..	328.4	..	228.7	204.6	433.3	440.3	883.8	1,324.1
1967-68	266.1	231.4	..	497.5	..	367.2	..	255.7	210.7	466.4	484.9	967.0	1,451.9
1968-69	320.0	239.3	..	559.3	..	444.4	..	295.5	238.6	534.2	578.8	1,015.4	1,594.2
Quarterly total													
1967-68—													
September	267.5	226.7	216.8	494.2	469.1	378.2	354.9	248.2	202.4	450.6	482.4	949.9	1,432.2
December	244.7	193.9	226.9	438.5	479.5	342.7	362.7	276.2	236.1	512.4	454.0	915.5	1,369.5
March	262.0	260.8	245.8	522.9	519.9	364.2	365.0	231.3	202.3	433.6	488.1	976.2	1,464.3
June	290.1	244.1	234.1	534.2	519.6	383.8	387.2	267.0	202.0	469.0	515.0	1,026.5	1,541.6
1968-69—													
September	309.3	228.7	220.2	538.0	512.5	432.7	406.5	281.6	236.7	518.3	546.5	1,024.9	1,571.3
December	310.0	208.6	243.9	518.6	566.4	412.7	435.4	315.2	271.0	586.3	545.1	962.8	1,507.9
March	312.6	262.6	246.5	575.2	571.2	446.7	448.2	264.4	201.3	465.7	595.7	1,028.7	1,624.5
June	348.1	257.2	246.4	605.3	588.3	485.4	489.8	320.9	245.5	566.4	628.0	1,045.2	1,673.2
1969-70—													
September	373.7	274.7	266.1	648.3	619.2	505.7	475.4	329.7	218.7	548.5	675.8	1,107.0	1,782.9
December	346.1	276.5	323.2	622.6	679.5	480.1	505.7	376.2	259.9	636.1	654.5	1,131.4	1,785.9

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(\$'000)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Quarterly average									
1964-65	132,886	100,570	44,618	38,626	26,774	9,436	2,946	10,746	366,602
1965-66	145,809	103,844	52,326	40,075	32,545	9,920	3,016	14,392	401,927
1966-67	156,489	117,984	54,775	33,805	40,534	12,055	3,311	14,396	433,349
1967-68	159,739	124,343	64,244	34,633	48,851	15,471	5,074	14,067	466,421
1968-69	180,376	144,532	67,816	39,178	63,708	14,237	6,481	17,837	534,165
Quarterly total									
1967-68—									
September	157,555	125,991	54,638	34,766	45,394	16,635	2,615	13,024	450,618
December	155,505	146,707	75,733	38,693	54,546	20,141	5,856	15,214	512,395
March	158,080	101,843	57,919	38,874	46,526	11,821	8,022	10,549	433,634
June	167,818	122,829	68,684	26,198	48,937	13,288	3,802	17,481	469,037
1968-69—									
September	164,194	155,029	72,559	28,860	57,739	9,957	7,181	22,828	518,347
December	206,597	146,941	64,530	48,382	72,390	18,654	8,115	20,665	586,274
March	163,597	121,819	62,827	28,458	57,118	16,500	4,048	11,305	465,672
June	187,116	154,337	71,348	51,012	67,586	11,837	6,582	16,550	566,368
1969-70—									
September	184,001	155,211	71,029	30,191	70,425	16,261	8,290	13,054	548,462
December	209,548	172,241	79,855	44,692	84,671	16,114	10,153	18,860	636,134

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia				
									New houses and flats		New private houses and flats		
Commenced													
									Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Quarterly average													
1964-65	10,552	7,955	3,521	3,345	2,299	699	188	618	29,177	..	24,384	..	
1965-66	9,259	7,270	3,926	2,736	2,282	603	158	569	26,801	..	22,950	..	
1966-67	9,743	8,269	3,992	2,423	2,749	785	218	600	28,779	..	24,527	..	
1967-68	10,144	9,077	4,071	2,078	3,661	877	267	604	30,779	..	27,153	..	
1968-69	12,196	9,424	4,192	2,328	4,804	736	353	793	34,826	..	30,942	..	
Quarterly total													
1967-68—December	9,755	8,796	3,388	1,998	3,251	802	130	486	28,606	29,410	25,349	26,199	
March	9,913	8,621	4,208	2,056	3,730	970	262	685	30,445	31,514	26,784	27,491	
June	10,752	9,517	4,405	1,974	4,272	779	400	504	32,603	32,203	28,879	28,567	
1968-69—September	11,532	9,883	4,152	2,281	4,407	716	395	696	34,062	32,535	30,620	29,234	
December	11,956	9,656	4,140	2,346	4,443	792	314	873	34,520	35,364	30,793	31,792	
March	12,437	8,513	4,273	2,205	4,679	685	230	910	33,932	35,210	29,835	30,693	
June	12,861	9,645	4,201	2,480	5,685	751	472	693	36,788	36,285	32,518	32,146	
1969-70—September	13,607	10,332	4,364	2,861	5,354	1,142	271	720	38,651	36,972	33,641	32,095	
December	12,865	9,800	4,105	2,857	5,125	687	329	725	36,493	37,336	31,371	32,387	
March p	11,822	9,239	4,278	2,755	3,650	710	351	1,091	33,896	35,189	30,313	31,220	
Completed													
									Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Quarterly average													
1964-65	9,973	7,874	3,406	3,218	2,322	683	152	535	28,163	..	23,869	..	
1965-66	10,192	7,609	3,657	3,052	2,222	620	196	645	28,192	..	23,759	..	
1966-67	9,217	8,066	4,074	2,709	2,504	737	121	545	27,973	..	23,961	..	
1967-68	10,345	8,570	4,070	2,204	3,063	906	228	659	30,045	..	26,147	..	
1968-69	11,289	9,127	4,283	2,174	4,083	768	302	647	32,672	..	28,991	..	
Quarterly total													
1967-68—December	11,139	9,518	4,102	2,426	3,325	1,091	285	665	32,551	29,983	28,172	25,814	
March	9,571	7,263	3,733	1,897	2,906	801	215	536	26,922	30,035	23,895	26,295	
June	10,647	8,737	4,435	2,096	3,060	895	254	694	30,818	30,541	26,645	26,864	
1968-69—September	11,282	8,786	4,239	2,164	3,839	758	222	626	31,916	31,610	27,903	27,659	
December	11,801	10,289	4,546	2,342	3,999	921	397	614	34,909	32,100	31,426	28,732	
March	10,779	7,437	3,812	1,799	4,100	651	210	643	29,431	32,972	26,403	29,215	
June	11,294	9,994	4,534	2,390	4,393	740	380	706	34,431	34,133	30,230	30,457	
1969-70—September	11,441	9,895	4,456	2,371	4,688	907	310	802	34,870	34,474	31,106	30,793	
December	12,976	10,916	4,449	2,774	5,406	1,059	407	836	38,823	35,676	34,477	31,492	
March p	10,091	7,962	3,753	2,245	4,571	546	314	841	30,323	34,051	26,943	29,898	
Under construction at end of period													
									Original		Original		
1964-65	22,557	18,189	4,068	6,872	3,895	1,788	623	1,543	59,535		47,086		
1965-66	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973		43,850		
1966-67	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197		46,115		
1967-68	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070		50,068		
1968-69	23,759	20,448	4,458	4,521	10,341	1,618	1,221	1,814	68,180		57,368		
1967-68—December	19,682	17,537	4,378	3,921	5,471	1,741	826	1,280	54,836		45,015		
March	20,024	18,895	4,853	4,080	6,295	1,910	873	1,429	58,359		47,904		
June	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070		50,068		
1968-69—September	20,379	20,582	4,736	4,056	8,048	1,729	1,192	1,306	62,028		52,597		
December	20,534	19,894	4,330	4,045	8,485	1,587	1,109	1,562	61,546		51,872		
March	22,192	20,882	4,791	4,442	9,057	1,616	1,129	1,828	65,937		55,194		
June	23,759	20,448	4,458	4,521	10,341	1,618	1,221	1,814	68,180		57,368		
1969-70—September	25,670	20,770	4,366	4,997	10,989	1,845	1,178	1,740	71,555		59,481		
December	25,195	19,539	4,022	5,024	10,700	1,457	1,092	1,629	68,658		55,801		
March p	27,133	20,755	4,547	5,534	9,779	1,621	1,137	1,879	72,385		59,309		

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include 'home units'.

VALUE OF WORK DONE(a) ON NEW BUILDINGS

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
New houses and flats										
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1964-65	75,980	60,081	24,835	23,311	17,014	5,146	1,526	5,975	213,868	..
1965-66	76,227	58,352	28,761	21,560	17,225	4,714	1,714	6,414	214,968	..
1966-67	78,515	66,480	31,239	19,344	22,944	6,025	1,865	6,285	232,695	..
1967-68	88,242	73,301	34,640	17,566	30,330	7,643	2,727	7,110	261,558	..
1968-69	107,202	83,303	38,133	18,983	41,597	7,039	3,772	8,398	308,427	..
Quarterly total										
1967-68—September	88,102	74,010	34,698	18,801	26,152	8,086	2,373	7,407	259,629	252.0
December	87,248	73,397	31,979	17,838	29,823	7,569	2,438	7,210	257,502	255.0
March	85,607	69,220	33,155	16,917	27,906	7,192	2,837	6,969	249,803	264.4
June	92,009	76,576	38,729	16,708	37,438	7,724	3,261	6,853	279,298	275.1
1968-69—September	101,759	82,383	37,037	17,880	38,448	7,107	2,961	7,795	295,370	286.7
December	104,047	87,193	38,518	18,825	41,551	7,267	3,155	7,973	308,529	305.3
March	106,710	76,282	37,244	18,220	40,369	6,661	3,097	8,744	297,327	315.2
June	116,293	87,352	39,734	21,008	46,018	7,120	5,874	9,081	332,480	327.5
1969-70—September	121,519	94,477	41,567	21,249	52,100	9,433	5,396	10,486	356,227	345.4
December	126,924	95,078	40,736	24,437	52,134	8,411	4,306	9,951	361,977	358.1
Other new buildings										
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1964-65	66,458	43,293	21,724	16,780	13,730	4,443	1,419	7,489	175,336	..
1965-66	77,392	52,249	26,684	17,631	16,146	6,086	1,723	7,412	205,323	..
1966-67	70,746	55,371	26,703	16,552	17,988	7,250	2,295	6,756	203,661	..
1967-68	71,565	58,137	29,196	16,811	22,780	7,372	2,900	8,269	217,029	..
1968-69	83,434	61,791	33,793	17,091	25,906	7,653	3,165	7,573	240,411	..
Quarterly total										
1967-68—September	69,259	57,995	28,750	16,873	22,993	7,683	2,515	6,030	212,098	199.8
December	72,506	59,110	29,421	16,624	22,507	7,366	2,725	10,468	220,727	219.4
March	67,196	55,943	26,592	15,928	21,795	7,120	3,698	8,774	207,046	223.5
June	77,299	59,499	32,021	17,817	23,823	7,318	2,663	7,804	228,244	227.0
1968-69—September	87,479	66,187	32,692	16,768	25,366	7,922	3,279	8,263	247,956	233.2
December	81,267	62,758	31,104	16,660	25,978	8,769	2,871	7,416	236,823	235.4
March	78,300	53,701	34,310	15,728	23,606	6,896	2,621	6,447	221,609	240.0
June	86,691	64,518	37,065	19,208	28,675	7,043	3,888	8,167	255,255	253.5
1969-70—September	99,682	67,661	36,733	18,149	33,431	7,758	3,296	8,077	274,787	258.3
December	95,337	74,346	37,536	16,405	33,755	9,674	12,014	8,427	287,494	285.7
All new buildings										
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1964-65	142,438	103,374	46,559	40,091	30,744	9,589	2,944	13,465	389,204	..
1965-66	153,619	110,601	55,445	39,190	33,371	10,800	3,437	13,827	420,290	..
1966-67	149,261	121,850	57,942	35,897	40,932	13,274	4,160	13,041	436,356	..
1967-68	159,807	131,437	63,836	34,377	53,109	15,015	5,628	15,379	478,587	..
1968-69	190,637	145,094	71,926	36,074	67,503	14,696	6,937	15,972	548,838	..
Quarterly total										
1967-68—September	157,361	132,005	63,448	35,674	49,145	15,769	4,888	13,437	471,727	452.2
December	159,754	132,507	61,399	34,462	52,330	14,935	5,163	17,678	478,228	473.7
March	152,803	125,163	59,748	32,845	49,701	14,312	6,535	15,743	456,850	486.5
June	169,308	136,075	70,750	34,525	61,261	15,042	5,924	14,657	507,542	503.8
1968-69—September	189,238	148,570	69,729	34,648	63,814	15,029	6,240	16,058	543,326	520.2
December	185,314	149,951	69,622	35,485	67,529	16,036	6,026	16,389	545,352	539.9
March	185,010	129,983	71,554	33,948	63,976	13,557	5,718	15,191	518,937	553.5
June	202,984	151,870	76,799	40,216	74,693	14,163	9,762	17,248	587,735	583.2
1969-70—September	221,201	162,138	78,301	39,398	85,531	17,191	8,691	18,563	631,014	603.9
December	222,262	169,424	78,271	40,842	85,890	18,085	16,321	18,378	649,473	642.8

(a) See footnote (b) page 34.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES

These statistics are designed primarily to measure trends in expenditure by private businesses on fixed tangible assets. The statistics are based on returns obtained from private businesses subject to pay-roll tax (other than businesses in rural, professional, gas and electricity industries), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses not subject to pay-roll tax which undertake projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. For statistics of capital expenditure by all private businesses, see the series 'Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure' on page 59 of this publication.

(£ million) NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY

Period	Manufacturing									Non-manufacturing				All Industries*
	Extracting, refining, founding	Engineering (a)	Vehicles (b)	Chemicals (c)	Textiles and clothing	Food, drink and tobacco	Paper and printing	Other manufacturing (d)	Total manufacturing	Wholesale and retail trade	Mining	Transport (e)	Other non-manufacturing (f)	
Quarterly average														
1964-65	29.6	27.1	23.1	31.8	8.0	35.2	13.8	24.1	192.7	55.4	26.6	31.7	53.1	359.5
1965-66	43.6	30.5	20.0	37.2	10.3	36.7	15.1	27.8	221.2	63.3	54.3	32.7	68.1	439.6
1966-67	46.0	32.1	10.6	31.7	8.5	34.2	17.2	27.2	207.5	61.6	60.7	32.4	62.1	424.3
1967-68	41.4	29.9	13.4	32.4	7.6	36.6	19.6	26.9	207.8	63.2	81.3	42.9	72.8	468.0
1968-69	36.5	36.4	13.1	37.3	10.6	32.6	17.9	31.2	215.6	74.2	108.8	39.7	84.6	522.9
Quarterly total														
1966-67—														
June	40.2	37.3	14.0	23.7	11.5	37.8	22.7	27.6	214.8	56.6	74.1	36.7	63.3	445.5
1967-68—														
September	42.2	29.3	13.6	26.1	6.7	35.2	18.5	25.5	197.1	65.6	70.4	35.7	65.0	433.8
December	48.5	34.2	12.9	33.4	7.8	44.6	22.8	28.5	232.7	60.7	97.1	50.8	81.5	522.8
March	32.8	24.2	13.3	26.9	6.7	28.7	17.5	23.8	173.9	58.8	72.2	34.2	65.1	404.2
June	42.1	31.9	13.8	43.1	9.2	38.1	19.4	29.8	227.4	67.7	85.6	50.9	79.4	511.0
1968-69—														
September	39.2	32.6	13.5	39.0	8.0	31.9	20.4	24.9	209.5	76.5	90.7	38.5	69.2	484.4
December	41.9	40.2	12.0	42.8	12.0	35.8	17.0	30.0	231.7	81.7	122.1	44.6	95.1	575.2
March	28.5	29.3	11.2	27.9	8.8	30.6	14.9	31.3	182.5	55.3	100.0	27.8	74.2	439.8
June	36.4	43.3	15.7	39.3	13.8	32.3	19.3	38.5	238.6	83.5	122.2	47.8	100.1	592.2
1969-70—														
September	40.2	40.3	13.9	34.5	12.3	34.8	18.5	29.0	223.5	82.6	122.7	45.7	85.2	569.7
December	46.9	40.8	14.0	36.9	16.2	41.4	18.4	43.0	257.6	103.1	134.1	50.6	99.7	645.1
March	39.6	33.1	12.0	34.1	14.6	27.5	17.8	35.0	213.7	66.2	107.5	56.9	83.3	527.6

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF ASSET

Period	New buildings and structures (g)		Other new capital equipment (h)		Total new capital expenditure	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average						
1964-65	116.4	..	243.1	..	359.5	..
1965-66	145.2	..	294.4	..	439.6	..
1966-67	140.1	..	284.2	..	424.3	..
1967-68	168.7	..	299.3	..	468.0	..
1968-69	204.0	..	318.9	..	522.9	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—						
June	148.8	144.3	296.7	275.2	445.5	421.9
1967-68—						
September	167.1	165.4	266.7	274.1	433.8	439.5
December	191.8	170.6	331.0	307.3	522.8	473.6
March	143.0	170.8	261.2	298.9	404.2	472.7
June	172.8	167.9	338.2	314.9	511.0	484.8
1968-69—						
September	181.7	181.2	302.7	311.4	484.4	492.8
December	234.9	207.5	340.3	315.1	575.2	518.2
March	160.7	191.5	279.1	319.0	439.8	515.0
June	238.9	232.8	353.3	329.0	592.2	562.4
1969-70—						
September	220.0	219.8	339.7	350.6	559.7	571.1
December	263.3	231.4	381.8	352.2	645.1	578.0
March	179.1	213.3	348.5	398.1	527.6	618.2

(a) Engineering, metalworking, electrical equipment. (b) Vehicles, aircraft and ships, parts and accessories. Includes assembly and repairs. (c) Chemicals, fertilisers, paints, explosives, cosmetics and oil refining. (d) Sawmilling, furniture, plastics, leather, rubber, etc. (e) Road, rail and air transport (including government airlines), shipping and stevedoring. (f) Building, construction, banking (including government banks), insurance, other finance and property, amusement, hotels, cafes, personal services, etc. (g) Includes assets such as buildings, wharves, railway and harbour construction, roads and also lifts, heating and ventilation equipment and the like forming an integral part of the structure. (h) Includes all machinery and equipment including vehicles, aircraft and ships, and such items as new motors, lathes, office equipment and fixtures.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

MINE PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS

Period	Metals										
	Copper (a)	Lead (a)	Zinc (a)	Tin (a)	Gold (a)	Silver (a)	Mineral sands concentrates(b)			Bauxite (b)	Iron ore (b)
							Rutile	Ilmenite	Zircon		
tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz	tons	tons	tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	
Monthly average											
1959-60	8,584	26,577	24,825	187	90.6	1,276	7,186	6,966	9,880	1	358
1960-61	9,152	25,181	27,256	211	89.6	1,232	7,961	10,917	10,052	7	401
1961-62	7,694	24,718	25,707	226	89.2	1,190	9,115	15,576	10,825	1	435
1962-63	8,725	32,529	28,735	234	89.2	1,526	12,177	13,511	12,926	14	405
1963-64	9,796	32,807	28,321	259	81.9	1,628	15,596	22,944	15,314	40	496
1964-65	6,548	30,297	28,953	309	78.9	1,405	16,376	31,123	17,315	87	498
1965-66	9,662	30,746	30,139	382	74.6	1,568	19,324	41,063	19,975	112	603
1966-67	8,370	31,281	33,014	404	71.5	1,566	21,244	42,711	20,889	257	1,085
1967-68p	r7,766	r30,761	32,730	497	66.9	1,702	23,461	44,209	24,364	376	1,832
1968-69p	r10,081	r34,064	38,019	612	61.4	1,933	25,921	53,339	27,585	518	2,801
Monthly total											
1967-68p—											
January	r6,895	r22,730	26,339	374	56.0	1,287	24,970	40,568	23,872	985	4,908
February	r7,677	r31,742	34,100	570	57.5	1,640	21,846	39,250	22,100		
March	r8,491	r34,250	35,154	357	76.8	1,839	24,253	37,127	23,952		
April	r7,523	r30,059	31,680	625	71.2	1,676	23,996	43,618	24,389	1,331	6,119
May	r8,158	r32,334	34,054	450	67.4	1,788	26,254	44,898	26,458		
June	r9,841	r26,357	29,190	467	81.4	1,566	24,001	43,927	23,137		
1968-69p—											
July	r9,424	r31,050	32,402	544	59.6	1,850	25,045	47,269	25,688	1,257	7,180
August	r9,026	r28,819	r30,031	588	61.3	1,718	23,533	50,964	25,483		
September	r10,666	r37,050	40,615	635	62.8	2,175	23,990	51,880	24,868		
October	r10,764	r38,611	41,073	2,040	72.1	1,967	23,603	48,400	27,765	1,304	7,722
November	r9,999	r37,108	42,402		54.6	2,035	25,061	50,185	24,861		
December	r9,442	r32,561	38,682		61.1	1,853	22,384	53,413	24,709		
January	9,728	28,062	r32,471	1,726	54.0	1,730	28,098	51,800	27,215	1,800	8,034
February	9,332	29,174	35,208		57.0	1,528	27,279	57,986	27,822		
March	9,597	25,771	26,989		59.3	1,712	27,337	61,568	29,169		
April	9,829	36,074	41,024	1,814	69.2	2,049	27,295	53,062	30,352	1,853	10,680
May	10,934	42,011	44,747		64.2	2,287	28,134	55,644	30,574		
June	12,230	42,473	50,569		63.7	2,292	29,294	57,894	32,519		
1969-70p—											
July	r11,398	r42,098	r47,387	2,113	58.7	2,357	30,770	r57,072	32,355	2,139	9,891
August	r11,793	r37,770	r42,318		57.1	2,109	29,820	60,383	32,644		
September	r11,124	r41,241	r49,388		62.7	2,244	31,186	61,724	31,593		
October	r11,270	r42,858	r47,225	2,360	r58.3	2,254	r32,076	r60,642	r34,152	2,004	9,873
November	r11,453	r42,032	r44,403		r56.4	2,162	r27,224	r59,507	r27,358		
December	r10,576	r34,557	r37,405		r54.1	2,109	r35,129	r56,533	r31,230		
January	10,511	25,833	29,604		48.0	1,750	24,550	54,244	25,104		
February	9,881	33,864	38,449		51.2	2,240	28,891	49,205	28,737		
March							29,342	60,907	31,605		

(a) Quantities shown are metallic contents of mine products based on chemical assay.

(b) Quantities shown are gross output.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS AND METALS

Period	Fuel minerals					Alumina	Refined metals(a)						
	Black coal		Brown Coal	Crude petroleum	Natural gas		Aluminium	Copper (b)	Lead (b) (c)	Zinc (b)	Tin	Gold (d)	Silver
	Original	Seasonally adjusted											
	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 barrels	million cu ft	'000 tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz
Monthly average													
1959-60	1,769	..	1,175	..	..	2	930	5,404	15,595	9,816	189	89.4	616
1960-61	1,912	..	1,310	..	..	2	1,008	5,749	14,568	10,495	202	85.9	660
1961-62	2,036	..	1,394	..	n.a.	3	1,201	5,314	14,541	12,812	203	86.4	552
1962-63	2,025	..	1,481	..	6.1	3	2,239	7,138	17,412	14,654	226	83.8	710
1963-64	2,238	..	1,557	..	8.7	7	4,855	7,435	18,108	15,532	246	75.9	783
1964-65	2,407	..	1,629	165	10.0	16	7,125	4,453	16,586	15,783	244	72.6	745
1965-66	2,688	..	1,796	264	12.6	19	7,269	7,632	15,683	16,378	294	64.5	730
1966-67	2,852	..	1,876	338	12.1	40	7,736	6,193	16,036	16,419	269	60.5	819
1967-68p	3,063	..	1,922	997	13.9	95	7,311	5,996	15,576	15,630	330	54.6	800
1968-69p	3,553	..	1,923	1,172	168.7	133	9,167	7,877	14,639	19,040	330	51.8	754
Monthly total													
1967-68p—													
January	1,981	r3,034	1,584	1,113	12.2	287	7,350	4,326	15,206	15,756	300	42.1	753
February	3,373	r3,083	1,589	1,043	11.1		6,819	4,193	14,091	13,854	327	46.0	640
March	3,320	r3,197	1,791	1,147	11.2		7,141	5,383	16,381	14,887	251	52.8	833
April	2,767	r3,317	1,857	1,117	16.5	300	6,965	7,091	18,373	15,816	280	52.7	896
May	3,788	r3,319	1,937	1,274	20.0		7,131	8,036	13,123	14,987	304	50.7	882
June	3,249	r3,267	2,238	1,087	20.7		7,227	8,795	12,773	15,074	273	67.3	857
1968-69p—													
July	4,076	r3,378	2,346	1,247	21.8	323	8,076	6,767	12,123	19,025	208	64.0	742
August	3,396	r3,418	2,296	1,211	21.3		8,393	7,551	13,125	19,084	316	49.9	768
September	3,554	r3,396	2,050	1,144	20.0		8,570	7,445	14,097	19,323	388	51.4	662
October	3,949	r3,437	1,902	1,207	21.0	380	9,341	9,438	17,145	18,507	314	49.9	825
November	3,964	r3,703	1,814	1,133	20.1		9,211	8,559	14,765	18,015	292	66.9	800
December	2,766	r3,438	1,568	1,154	19.9		9,586	6,211	14,030	21,154	439	45.6	769
January	2,521	r3,535	1,557	1,159	20.4	418	9,369	6,669	15,479	17,330	318	42.2	821
February	3,616	r3,565	1,567	1,052	21.9		8,933	8,415	13,443	17,239	196	46.3	650
March	3,642	r3,522	1,841	1,195	93.9		9,613	7,880	12,035	20,068	269	45.6	745
April	2,988	r3,680	1,707	1,144	549.9	471	9,499	8,351	15,333	19,150	499	47.9	721
May	4,011	r3,680	2,156	1,203	551.2		9,772	8,156	15,317	21,263	289	46.7	786
June	4,146	r3,966	2,275	1,213	662.9		9,635	9,084	18,770	18,316	432	65.5	756
1969-70p—													
July	4,770	r3,942	2,464	1,305	1,048.0	504	9,346	7,202	17,061	23,815	219	48.6	793
August	3,549	r3,968	1,952	1,248	1,088.6		9,792	7,348	15,220	20,705	470	42.9	893
September	4,347	r3,987	2,070	1,371	1,135.4		9,704	10,087	16,866	20,951	446	47.2	852
October	4,591	r4,032	2,148	1,660	1,091.2	508	10,633	7,998	16,067	21,350	272	41.2	967
November	3,981	r3,936	1,553	1,680	1,347.1		13,963	9,861	15,580	20,053	357	69.3	817
December	3,203	r3,998	1,622	1,574	1,764.0		14,164	8,321	15,371	22,193	389	43.0	950
January	2,935	r4,122	1,597	1,431	1,776.4			10,398	14,668	21,975	162	37.4	845
February	4,111	r4,054	1,674	1,426	2,772.4			8,957	13,873	19,152	419	36.0	702
March	3,719	3,985	2,037	2,944	3,281.9			8,487	16,398	20,863	444	37.1	750
April	3,753	3,910	2,076	5,305	3,419.8			9,362	14,345	21,953			

(a) Primary origin only. (b) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (c) Refined lead including lead content of lead alloys from primary sources; excludes lead content of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (d) Newly-won gold of Australian origin. Source: Reserve Bank.

PRODUCTION OF ENERGY AND IRON AND STEEL

Period	Heat, light and power			Iron and steel				
	Gas available for issue through mains(a) Original	Total electricity generated		Pig iron	Ingot steel(b)		Blooms and slabs	Tinplate
		Original	Seasonally adjusted		Original	Seasonally adjusted		
	million therms (c)	million kWh	million kWh	000 tons (d)	000 tons (d)	'000 tons	'000 tons (d)	tons (d)
Monthly average								
1959-60	20.4	1,933	..	221	293	..	252	7,315
1960-61	21.4	2,068	..	250	312	..	266	8,982
1961-62	22.0	2,190	..	282	340	..	277	8,915
1962-63	22.7	2,440	..	283	355	..	306	17,512
1963-64	23.5	2,710	..	314	398	..	339	16,511
1964-65	24.3	2,970	..	328	428	..	375	18,671
1965-66	24.5	3,190	..	365	463	..	402	19,688
1966-67	25.1	3,457	..	408	510	..	415	20,933
1967-68	26.0	3,711	..	434	524	..	448	20,631
1968-69p	27.6	4,066	..	482	555	..	482	21,748
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
March	21.4	3,550	3,745	460	546	552	470	17,211
April	22.1	3,440	3,693	442	528	554	448	16,608
May	31.5	4,153	3,868	466	549	536	479	14,824
June	34.2	4,265	3,943	435	503	523	445	15,866
1968-69—								
July	37.5	4,655	3,910	412	495	477	471	18,052
August	34.8	4,492	3,951	450	550	524	481	20,020
September	29.9	4,051	3,970	455	537	526	461	22,179
October	27.8	3,967	3,933	497	565	557	494	22,059
November	24.5	3,807	4,001	487	534	531	465	21,952
December	22.6	3,639	4,014	514	591	563	503	24,339
January	19.5	3,647	4,109	510	579	571	487	22,602
February	19.9	3,560	4,130	449	516	583	442	21,878
March	23.3	3,929	4,141	531	609	615	517	22,862
April	25.0	3,858	4,155	487	572	611	490	21,652
May	31.2	4,485	4,200	494	548	532	494	22,189
June	35.3	4,697	4,304	497	562	572	475	21,187
1969-70p—								
July	43.3	4,977	4,196	489	588	573	530	22,295
August	40.4	4,675	4,168	508	592	575	530	23,212
September	38.8	4,596	4,421	493	550	531	440	23,123
October	34.4	4,491	4,456	515	591	577	513	24,133
November	31.2	4,127	4,413	513	592	603	515	25,210
December	31.3	4,141	4,495	525	606	576	518	26,288
January	31.7	4,014	4,554	516	569	562	487	24,509
February	40.0	4,394	4,634	451	488	553	424	23,386
March	46.2	4,320	4,670	420	518	516	439	25,674
April	48.0	4,403	4,607	433	514	550	442	19,433

(a) From July 1969 includes natural gas. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) 1 therm = 100,000 British Thermal Units.
(d) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS

Period	Building materials										
	Clay bricks		Roofing tiles		Asbestos cement sheets	Sawn Aust. grown timber(a)	Portland cement		Plaster sheets (non-acoustic)	Particle board	Plaster of paris
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Terra-cotta	Concrete			Original	Seasonally adjusted			
	Million	Million	'000	'000	'000 sq yd	Million sup ft	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 sq yd	Million sq ft	'000 tons
Monthly average											
1959-60	86	..	4,739	4,741	2,536	127	219	..	1,550	n.a.	21.4
1960-61	88	..	4,599	4,388	2,462	121	238	..	1,431		20.6
1961-62	83	..	4,171	4,435	2,233	113	234	..	1,278		19.0
1962-63	88	..	4,274	5,040	2,311	118	245	..	1,328		20.1
1963-64	103	..	4,482	6,379	2,482	121	277	..	1,327		21.7
1964-65	113	..	4,415	7,312	2,706	126	312	..	2,495	7.7	23.1
1965-66	113	..	4,272	6,910	2,697	124	307	..	2,493		22.1
1966-67	113	..	3,941	7,376	2,717	119	305	..	2,550		21.8
1967-68	120	..	3,956	8,069	3,021	121	317	..	2,734	9.6	23.2
1968-69p	134	..	4,161	9,641	3,173	121	332	..	2,941	11.2	23.5
Monthly total											
1967-68—											
March	128	124	4,151	8,932	3,313	124	329	316	2,950	10.0	22.9
April	121	122	3,888	8,285	2,920	117	296	299	2,646	9.2	21.5
May	137	124	4,876	9,333	3,567	135	347	319	3,286	11.4	26.8
June	122	127	4,381	8,009	3,454	126	314	321	2,657	9.7	21.0
1968-69p—											
July	138	126	4,771	9,840	3,413	139	341	321	3,115	12.3	25.3
August	134	128	4,355	9,613	3,357	129	344	325	2,991	11.2	24.1
September	132	130	4,175	9,361	3,254	128	345	330	2,974	11.2	23.5
October	145	130	5,082	10,188	3,514	135	366	334	3,418	13.2	27.6
November	142	136	4,183	10,177	3,519	137	349	334	3,257	11.3	26.2
December	122	139	3,385	7,657	2,796	105	285	322	2,640	9.3	21.3
January	106	144	2,588	6,646	1,400	84	253	337	1,965	6.5	14.9
February	136	139	4,284	10,256	3,401	112	320	337	2,955	10.9	23.8
March	141	138	3,869	10,842	3,584	118	360	347	2,922	12.2	23.5
April	138	138	4,678	9,856	2,880	119	316	320	2,952	12.1	24.1
May	144	133	4,229	11,283	3,695	130	365	337	3,148	12.8	24.4
June	135	139	4,327	9,967	3,258	112	335	342	2,953	10.8	23.0
1969-70p—											
July	156	142	5,254	12,096	3,794	130	385	362	3,751	14.9	30.3
August	147	146	4,255	11,193	3,451	138	401	380	3,286	13.2	24.5
September	151	141	4,575	11,293	3,562	126	386	366	3,347	12.9	25.5
October	156	143	5,063	12,187	3,661	140	397	362	3,928	14.9	30.7
November	141	140	4,394	10,594	4,093	122	393	379	3,393	13.2	25.0
December	131	143	3,923	10,067	3,156	119	329	371	3,102	11.8	24.5
January	105	146	2,532	7,040	1,764	85	299	400	1,937	(c)	13.9
February	141	144	4,356	11,220	3,641	106	355	374	3,315	(c)	25.2
March	140	141	4,443	10,495	3,503	119	378	364	3,131	(c)	23.8
April	142	136	4,946	11,801	3,824	115	371	374	3,810	(c)	28.8

(a) Source (for 1962-63 and later periods) : Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission.
to July 1964 series refers to the production of Fibrous Plaster Sheets only. (c) Not available for publication.

(b) Prior

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING FITTINGS, FLOOR COVERINGS AND HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES

Period	Building fittings			Floor coverings (a)	Domestic cooking stoves			Domestic refrigerators		Electric blankets (including mattress overlays) (d)	Electric propeller type fans (complete) (e)
	Baths— C.I.P.E. and other	Wash basins— C.I.P.E. and earthen- ware	Sinks— stainless steel		Solid fuel	Gas(b)— upright or elevated	Electric (c)	Original	Season- ally adjusted		
	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq yd	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Monthly average											
1959-60	10,429	14,094	16,240	1,304	3,071	6,634	9,716	19,763	..	n.a.	n.a.
1960-61	9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141	2,644	6,097	8,992	18,293	..	n.a.	22,293
1961-62	9,171	13,327	14,536	1,094	2,409	5,639	10,282	17,657	..	n.a.	15,318
1962-63	9,101	14,593	14,474	1,364	2,262	5,464	12,139	17,196	..	n.a.	12,183
1963-64	10,930	15,554	16,121	1,541	2,808	6,448	14,671	16,949	..	13,964	13,070
1964-65	12,698	18,391	18,281	1,951	1,968	7,042	16,260	18,977	..	19,140	17,024
1965-66	12,710	17,065	18,284	2,144	1,738	5,939	16,990	17,826	..	25,394	18,617
1966-67	12,873	17,049	18,840	2,023	1,565	6,290	17,605	19,350	..	52,206	26,800
1967-68	13,495	17,700	17,729	2,233	1,243	6,094	17,832	20,428	..	64,826	30,029
1968-69 p	15,078	19,104	18,234	2,418	1,103	7,112	17,994	22,579	..	61,264	34,639
Monthly total											
1967-68—											
March	15,510	19,017	20,888	2,274	1,028	5,905	18,806	20,062	20,498	76,053	19,060
April	14,429	18,055	18,366	2,398	919	5,236	16,337	15,748	21,836	69,453	15,102
May	15,608	25,930	24,103	2,596	1,454	6,097	19,687	20,045	21,446	83,938	21,662
June	12,448	20,158	17,903	2,118	1,225	5,824	17,623	20,425	22,777	74,719	22,837
1968-69p—											
July	15,930	22,762	19,513	2,647	1,647	6,276	20,528	25,530	23,905	73,394	29,624
August	14,856	19,177	18,468	2,533	1,368	8,012	20,160	27,137	23,941	50,808	38,903
September	14,859	18,914	19,228	2,595	1,094	8,225	23,876	26,619	23,575	34,040	47,609
October	17,302	20,802	18,418	2,999	1,142	8,973	26,556	30,054	22,907	54,160	52,001
November	17,347	20,179	22,128	2,547	1,165	8,245	24,496	27,366	22,924	61,326	54,582
December	11,703	16,172	15,300	2,205	829	6,694	16,740	19,791	21,240	27,604	45,061
January	8,577	13,265	8,321	1,313	553	3,801	10,680	15,537	22,724	22,054	24,834
February	16,002	17,438	18,564	2,419	1,000	7,153	18,909	21,486	21,918	50,473	35,699
March	16,741	21,040	22,021	2,472	990	8,175	18,715	21,712	22,610	68,454	22,251
April	16,061	22,138	18,066	2,278	1,068	5,807	18,686	18,902	25,004	76,667	19,440
May	16,045	17,893	18,107	2,518	1,354	7,211	18,699	18,669	20,746	98,597	21,803
June	15,515	19,476	20,676	2,487	1,033	6,778	17,893	18,142	20,170	117,293	23,862
1969-70p—											
July	19,747	21,567	22,472	3,095	1,437	7,338	21,409	22,084	20,028	90,842	41,623
August	17,318	21,232	19,756	2,838	1,169	7,545	22,172	21,355	19,716	60,799	41,393
September	18,498	26,794	22,081	3,073	887	7,653	24,252	26,025	22,324	62,689	43,929
October	18,778	24,805	22,751	3,156	981	8,162	28,756	26,035	19,622	65,490	54,286
November	15,914	23,188	22,008	2,840	707	6,497	25,219	22,306	19,562	55,731	56,520
December	13,902	21,099	21,426	2,622	616	6,603	19,988	20,856	21,091	57,589	47,105
January	6,362	(f)	9,886	1,296	380	3,562	9,409	13,918	21,174	35,453	16,359
February	12,399	(f)	20,107	2,825	758	7,037	20,913	21,836	22,336	87,372	32,050
March	12,309	(f)	21,430	2,626	623	6,027	19,295	19,039	21,479	88,903	23,558
April	15,345	(f)	24,010	3,025	924	7,782	21,279	19,449	22,803	108,990	23,654

(a) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (b) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges. Includes wall ovens. (c) Includes fixed ranges, wall ovens, cooking tops, grill-boilers and other ranges. (d) Excludes heating pads. (e) Excludes fans incorporated in other equipment or used with ducting. (f) Not available for publication.

PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period	Domestic clothes washing machines	Electric and gas clothes dryers (rotary and cabinet type)	Hot water jugs and kettles	Radio and radio-grams	Television sets(a)	Room air conditioners(b)	Electric motors			Internal combustion engines —petrol (c)
							Under 1 hp		1 hp and over	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000	'000	No.
Monthly average										
1959-60	16,823	n.a.	18,962	33,549	36,508	3,339	132	..	8.5	24,326
1960-61	16,295	n.a.	19,217	37,899	26,331	5,602	146	..	9.3	15,348
1961-62	18,342	1,193	18,987	30,583	24,125	2,423	135	..	6.8	16,948
1962-63	17,987	1,500	20,945	41,671	24,724	948	154	..	7.5	22,367
1963-64	18,506	2,675	21,703	39,085	22,520	686	176	..	9.4	24,161
1964-65	22,000	2,529	23,928	37,998	25,728	935	205	..	9.9	25,534
1965-66	20,016	2,232	22,923	32,711	23,049	2,189	199	..	10.5	20,455
1966-67	19,300	2,185	25,717	37,147	21,234	3,010	221	..	11.7	23,962
1967-68	23,196	2,972	27,737	43,533	21,104	(d) 2,930	231	..	11.5	21,466
1968-69p	25,214	3,571	33,233	56,402	23,312	4,848	250	..	16.3	24,215
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
March	26,001	3,678	29,275	41,277	22,696	2,611	227	230	12.4	12,480
April	21,835	4,398	30,028	41,288	21,288	2,878	204	233	13.1	11,871
May	29,100	8,181	29,124	48,640	28,006	3,399	261	246	15.2	10,131
June	26,866	7,731	26,805	38,598	22,294	2,920	223	233	12.5	9,738
1968-69p—										
July	29,571	7,563	31,201	44,308	27,862	4,766	280	247	17.5	15,833
August	30,086	4,004	35,562	52,604	26,428	5,696	276	247	15.6	34,173
September	26,901	1,577	39,846	53,555	26,189	5,491	268	254	16.3	38,338
October	26,389	1,196	38,180	73,210	27,176	7,325	304	253	18.5	39,905
November	23,615	620	36,689	88,385	24,658	7,274	285	247	18.7	33,535
December	18,472	503	30,164	68,151	16,497	5,879	228	254	14.0	22,905
January	13,431	73	17,863	33,505	11,455	3,029	152	256	10.2	19,268
February	24,226	2,302	30,793	54,203	20,024	4,322	241	252	15.9	20,567
March	28,058	3,553	37,272	56,328	21,974	4,067	245	253	17.9	21,702
April	26,080	5,911	36,138	48,907	21,273	3,297	228	249	16.2	16,759
May	28,846	8,420	38,201	56,120	29,422	3,458	251	248	16.5	10,495
June	26,902	7,131	26,888	47,547	26,790	3,581	248	257	18.5	17,102
1969-70p—										
July	30,789	3,479	32,207	58,876	30,189	3,638	304	263	18.0	28,735
August	27,348	1,166	28,986	50,728	28,439	3,626	286	264	18.3	32,947
September	28,640	618	38,090	71,053	30,449	4,656	280	256	20.5	48,426
October	28,116	582	40,932	79,844	32,137	5,718	310	260	17.9	49,851
November	25,866	595	35,783	70,005	26,742	5,633	286	256	17.7	36,889
December	21,054	546	32,219	76,626	21,921	4,903	246	260	14.2	29,751
January	12,430	368	15,788	29,529	11,490	2,931	159	292	11.5	20,618
February	25,884	2,074	29,683	57,343	26,082	3,945	248	262	14.2	27,564
March	27,496	4,663	28,970	55,837	26,923	3,144	242	264	13.7	25,738
April	30,274	6,976	48,566	64,026	29,962	2,905	265	265	18.7	19,532

(a) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player.
car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc., and marine engines.

(b) Includes package unit air conditioners.

(c) Excludes motor

(d) From July 1967 includes room refrigerated air conditioners but excludes evaporative room air coolers.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS; MEAT; POULTRY SLAUGHTERED

Period	Whole milk for all purposes		Dairy products (Factory production)			Meat (carcass weight)						Dressed weight of poultry slaughtered (c)
			Butter (a)	Cheese (b)	Pro- cessed full cream milk products	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Total		
	Original	Season- ally adjusted								Original	Season- ally adjusted	
	Million gal	Million gal	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 gal(d)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	Million- lb
Monthly average												
1959-60	117.2	..	36,402	8,355	6,886	62.6	30.9	16.9	8.4	118.8	..	..
1960-61	111.6	..	33,452	8,736	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	109.5	..	..
1961-62	120.3	..	36,821	10,356	6,502	65.9	30.7	18.2	10.0	124.9	..	..
1962-63	122.3	..	37,565	10,810	6,931	76.2	30.2	19.2	9.5	135.1	..	..
1963-64	124.7	..	37,858	10,867	7,686	82.1	30.1	18.8	9.3	140.2	..	..
1964-65	126.7	..	37,907	11,501	8,081	84.2	30.1	18.6	10.0	142.9	..	..
1965-66	126.8	..	38,369	10,942	7,766	77.6	32.5	17.4	11.1	138.6	..	12.7
1966-67	133.7	..	40,768	12,820	7,837	72.1	29.1	19.8	11.7	132.6	..	16.3
1967-68	124.8	..	36,026	12,949	7,792	74.1	34.4	20.1	12.3	140.9	..	18.9
1968-69 p	127.2	..	36,602	13,602	8,528	76.7	30.5	25.3	13.3	145.8	..	20.1
Monthly total												
1967-68—												
March	95.5	116.9	24,126	9,303	5,317	75.4	37.4	20.7	12.7	146.3	143.1	17.9
April	74.3	111.1	16,452	6,645	3,768	72.1	26.9	19.3	12.4	130.8	137.0	17.0
May	65.9	117.8	12,580	5,882	3,448	82.0	28.5	19.9	13.3	143.7	129.5	22.5
June	64.4	125.2	11,818	6,596	3,559	77.6	24.9	18.0	12.4	132.9	134.2	18.6
1968-69p—												
July	88.7	127.1	20,746	10,209	5,778	84.9	25.8	22.1	13.2	146.0	137.9	20.1
August	127.8	128.6	36,015	15,371	8,697	77.5	25.2	23.5	12.7	138.9	139.3	19.2
September	161.7	128.8	49,679	19,273	11,269	76.7	24.5	26.9	13.4	141.6	148.2	19.6
October	186.5	124.6	59,184	21,940	12,658	77.0	29.1	35.6	13.8	155.5	143.6	21.4
November	180.0	123.0	57,328	20,349	12,039	68.9	30.6	31.0	13.3	143.8	143.8	21.3
December	170.5	124.6	54,005	18,661	11,826	59.8	29.7	27.3	13.6	130.6	138.3	20.5
January	150.1	122.6	46,412	15,187	10,109	63.0	32.1	25.1	12.5	132.7	140.7	19.9
February	113.8	120.6	32,484	10,064	7,820	66.9	34.0	21.6	12.3	134.8	142.9	19.3
March	111.3	136.6	30,341	10,114	7,775	76.8	35.2	21.9	13.8	147.7	147.0	20.1
April	90.3	136.0	22,672	8,253	5,728	80.8	32.2	21.4	13.9	148.3	153.2	18.7
May	75.3	137.2	16,130	6,686	4,541	94.0	34.6	23.2	14.0	165.8	154.8	20.7
June	70.2	134.0	14,224	7,110	4,093	93.7	32.9	23.6	13.2	163.4	162.7	20.0
1969-70p—												
July	94.4	136.3	22,841	10,085	6,657	105.3	36.4	26.5	15.4	183.5	170.5	22.8
August	137.2	138.6	39,706	15,135	10,020	88.2	34.0	25.3	14.4	161.9	167.9	21.5
September	174.1	136.2	55,787	18,274	10,973	81.6	34.1	27.7	14.4	157.8	r160.5	20.4
October	200.7	133.2	66,470	20,645	12,196	83.1	37.6	34.1	16.7	171.6	156.2	25.2
November	195.4	136.7	64,880	19,592	11,929	67.4	35.3	30.6	14.4	147.8	152.7	21.9
December	187.6	135.3	61,829	18,630	11,133	71.2	38.0	27.8	15.0	152.1	155.4	22.4
January	168.9	140.0	52,745	16,674	13,225	70.5	37.7	25.1	12.5	145.8	160.2	21.0
February	133.0	141.2	39,401	11,559	10,494	76.2	39.9	23.4	13.1	152.7	r162.2	r21.8
March	117.4	142.0	32,420	10,292	8,395	77.3	37.6	23.3	13.6	151.8	r158.2	22.2
April	96.3	146.1	24,386	8,553	6,171	94.8	43.6	25.1	15.2	178.7	171.3	24.2

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. Source: From July 1966, Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and State Departments of agriculture. (b) From July 1966, as reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and by producers not within the equalisation scheme. (c) Dressed weight of all birds (chickens, other fowls, ducks and drakes, and turkeys) including pieces and giblets. Particulars prior to 1965-66 were not collected. (d) Whole milk equivalent.

PRODUCTION OF FLOUR, SUGAR, BEER, TOBACCO AND CHEMICALS

Period	Wheaten flour	Refined sugar (a)	Beer		Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes		Chemicals and allied products					
			Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Sulphuric acid (100%)		Superphosphate (b)	Sulphate of ammonia (c)	Paints	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted			Ready-mixed paints and enamels	Lacquers, nitro-cellulose
	'000 short tons	'000 tons	million gal	million gal	'000 lb (d)	'000 lb	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 gal	'000 gal
Monthly average												
1959-60	126	45.0	19.3	..	4,563	..	89	..	198	8.74	1,066	150
1960-61	130	43.7	19.7	..	4,853	..	94	..	211	8.25	1,053	114
1961-62	125	46.1	20.1	..	4,659	..	95	..	216	8.68	1,108	109
1962-63	122	47.0	20.8	..	4,742	..	105	..	239	7.79	1,154	120
1963-64	139	48.0	21.9	..	4,674	..	121	..	279	7.13	1,291	127
1964-65	129	49.4	22.9	..	4,878	..	141	..	309	9.10	1,355	130
1965-66	118	50.8	24.1	..	4,688	..	148	..	349	9.18	1,257	120
1966-67	116	51.1	25.3	..	4,845	..	166	..	383	8.80	1,336	119
1967-68	118	51.2	26.4	..	4,915	..	158	..	358	5.86	1,373	119
1968-69p	117	53.3	27.2	..	5,197	..	154	..	328	8.79	1,405	125
Monthly total												
1967-68—												
March	115	59.0	28.7	28.0	5,365	5,275	156	144	348	9.76	1,443	136
April	114	50.9	26.2	27.7	5,249	5,534	171	157	384	4.55	1,320	120
May	136	50.4	25.2	27.0	4,981	4,961	165	156	390	4.97	1,521	136
June	122	42.6	18.9	24.9	5,152	5,159	126	138	256	5.98	1,197	120
1968-69p—												
July	133	50.6	23.0	26.1	6,028	5,066	119	134	244	5.30	1,402	125
August	120	55.6	23.1	25.1	5,519	5,102	150	159	345	9.04	1,360	120
September	111	56.7	25.8	26.3	4,805	4,929	174	171	368	9.13	1,388	119
October	123	57.0	31.3	27.6	6,131	5,190	165	161	351	8.36	1,629	144
November	129	61.3	30.8	26.9	5,600	5,429	140	150	298	9.32	1,647	148
December	95	52.5	35.2	28.3	3,866	4,538	164	164	338	11.61	1,369	111
January	95	51.5	28.9	27.9	4,231	5,938	157	151	310	9.81	1,006	79
February	103	55.3	27.6	28.1	5,238	5,305	167	167	374	6.65	1,395	129
March	117	57.2	27.8	26.7	5,172	5,098	178	165	381	7.66	1,508	138
April	117	47.1	26.3	27.9	5,142	5,410	168	152	368	9.36	1,363	114
May	136	51.1	25.0	27.7	5,231	5,443	148	141	322	9.41	1,477	135
June	120	44.2	21.7	27.6	5,400	5,144	124	139	238	9.83	1,312	133
1969-70p—												
July	124	51.8	25.2	28.8	6,455	5,417	105	119	201	12.76	1,558	122
August	111	56.4	25.0	28.2	5,646	5,471	137	148	276	11.57	1,381	124
September	113	58.0	29.3	28.7	5,379	5,295	171	162	325	11.36	1,492	128
October	119	61.2	31.5	28.0	6,290	5,317	160	156	317	9.93	1,716	142
November	108	56.9	30.2	27.4	5,112	5,220	150	166	310	8.10	1,599	133
December	115	54.6	36.3	28.0	4,828	5,423	173	167	365	8.62	1,540	118
January	112	53.6	27.9	27.8	3,960	5,790	171	164	346	7.93	1,037	70
February	112	55.3	27.3	27.8	5,762	5,821	148	147	355	6.95	1,549	123
March	116	57.3	30.2	28.7	5,285	5,456	151	141	332	8.81	1,434	115
April	133		28.6	29.7	6,213	5,969	131	120	306	7.86	1,547	127

(a) Production in July 1966, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry. As from June 1964 includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate, i.e. 22% P₂O₅ equivalent. (c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilisers Pty Ltd from July 1962 to June 1968. (d) Source: Department of Customs and Excise. (e) Production is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise and includes waste beer. (f) From July 1968, figures collected by Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics, exclude waste beer.

PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES; WOOL

Period	Motor vehicles(a)						Pneumatic tyres— motor cycle, car, truck, aero., etc.	Wool received into brokers' stores		Wool prices index Sydney (d)	Scoured and carbon- ised wool
	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks and truck- type vehicles	Total motor vehicles(b)			Original (c)	Season- ally adjusted		
					No.	No.					
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000 bales	'000 bales	cents per lb	mill. lb
Monthly average											
1959-60	19,197	2,573	n.a.	n.a.	23,699	..	352	411	..	46.9	15.0
1960-61	19,018	2,444			23,415	..	360	393	..	42.9	13.2
1961-62	16,890	2,054			20,495	..	333	400	..	45.1	14.0
1962-63	24,960	2,321			28,805	..	418	391	..	48.6	14.3
1963-64	26,778	2,530	1,011	2,076	31,548	..	425	416	..	56.7	13.4
1964-65	27,872	2,259	1,113	2,354	33,645	..	460	424	..	48.0	13.2
1965-66	24,477	2,858	1,231	1,814	30,415	..	462	376	..	50.3	13.0
1966-67	24,688	2,929	1,179	1,878	30,711	..	483	401	..	48.6	12.8
1967-68	27,501	2,728	1,263	1,856	33,413	..	565	403	..	44.7	13.2
1968-69p	28,473	2,944	1,333	2,148	34,996	..	(f)621	433		46.4	13.0
Monthly total											
1967-68—							(g)				
April	30,314	3,243	1,310	1,789	36,685	35,708	561	287	410	46	13.3
May	32,206	4,141	1,447	2,214	40,015	33,213	710	198	346	46	15.3
June	25,919	3,629	1,114	2,078	32,781	33,006	600	188	451	46	14.1
1968-69p—											
July	31,162	4,116	1,628	2,091	39,044	34,097	(f)683	270	393	45	14.1
August	30,443	3,140	1,913	2,178	37,738	34,846	660	503	389	45	12.4
September	29,900	3,754	1,365	2,207	37,311	36,176	679	762	407	46	12.2
October	32,390	3,593	1,574	2,183	39,831	36,464	675	781	393	48	14.2
November	29,274	3,307	1,261	2,090	35,987	35,291	645	722	454	49	13.3
December	21,155	2,289	971	1,769	26,280	33,862	516	398	464	47	11.2
January	14,994	1,638	699	1,222	18,605	36,204	355	237	509	47	10.6
February	27,217	3,005	1,380	2,211	33,955	34,223	636	316	464	47	13.6
March	31,057	2,601	1,305	2,537	37,637	34,481	617	405	452	46	15.0
April	29,494	2,520	1,361	2,238	35,739	34,134	630	328	472	46	12.5
May	33,186	2,233	1,158	2,590	39,303	34,390	659	269	465	46	13.0
June	31,401	3,135	1,377	2,459	38,488	37,488	692	208	501	45	13.7
1969-70p—											
July	36,536	3,956	1,594	2,561	44,756	38,359	722	325	468	43	13.8
August	34,714	3,302	1,795	2,421	42,309	41,780	662	621	506	43	12.1
September	36,860	3,666	1,967	2,479	45,086	42,458	736	785	410	43	11.7
October	38,137	3,412	1,955	2,350	45,974	42,503	733	947	496	42	13.7
November	28,925	2,533	1,539	2,102	35,204	35,134	613	637	394	41	13.8
December	28,590	2,652	1,462	2,237	35,003	42,392	618	494	564	41	13.5
January	16,198	1,734	722	1,159	19,860	40,599	343	266	559	p41	11.0
February	35,081	3,501	1,470	2,204	42,418	42,508	696	322	468	p40	14.0
March	33,992	3,343	1,447	2,265	41,175	40,327	648	360	417	p39	13.5
April	36,715	3,185	1,733	2,514	44,281	37,601	727	286	387	p40	14.2
May								211	384	p39	

(a) Finished and partly finished motor vehicles. (b) Includes buses and ambulances. (c) First hand receipts as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers. (d) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (e) Prior to July 1963 the series represent the production of bodies assembled from local and imported panels. (f) Source (from July 1968): Australian Rubber Manufacturers Association Limited. (g) Source: Department of Supply.

PRODUCTION OF YARNS AND TEXTILES

Period	Yarns(a)			Woven cloth(a) (b)						Blankets
	Cotton	Wool	Cellulosic fibre (including mixtures)	Cotton(c)		Wool(d)		Cellulosic fibre	Synthetic fibre	
				Original	Season-ally adjusted	Original	Season-ally adjusted			
	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000
Monthly average										
1959-60	3,868	4,213	295	3,594	..	2,520	..	1,484	611	161
1960-61	3,574	4,090	274	3,641	..	2,205	..	1,729	837	159
1961-62	3,612	3,811	266	3,802	..	2,079	..	1,713	1,136	141
1962-63	3,890	4,280	307	3,924	..	2,352	..	1,990	1,528	154
1963-64	4,616	4,350	382	4,446	..	1,976	..	2,233	1,660	181
1964-65	4,924	4,515	518	4,722	..	2,036	..	2,668	1,874	173
1965-66	4,918	4,338	498	4,642	..	1,949	..	2,749	1,734	142
1966-67	5,066	5,066	564	4,798	..	1,762	..	2,974	1,961	144
1967-68	5,071	4,458	768	4,920	..	1,950	..	3,102	2,325	138
1968-69p	5,093	4,501	906	4,726	..	1,967	..	3,015	2,644	132
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
March	5,411	4,422	857	5,434	4,833	2,147	1,911	3,364	2,606	134
April	4,748	4,374	865	4,611	4,865	1,838	1,922	2,837	2,321	135
May	5,809	4,716	1,023	5,552	4,904	2,036	1,962	3,715	3,085	181
June	5,269	4,191	919	5,101	4,710	1,716	2,012	3,499	2,951	140
1968-69p—										
July	5,480	4,813	846	5,212	5,109	1,957	2,005	3,143	2,962	172
August	5,585	4,536	919	6,035	5,025	1,817	1,957	3,503	2,921	146
September	5,534	4,531	982	5,078	4,772	1,961	1,973	3,550	2,863	137
October	5,686	5,308	1,162	5,153	4,725	2,448	2,005	3,327	2,823	147
November	5,720	4,774	924	5,561	4,885	2,241	1,939	3,305	2,727	125
December	3,821	3,737	711	3,628	4,568	1,911	2,053	2,419	2,136	85
January	2,780	2,848	535	2,537	5,609	1,449	2,089	1,705	1,354	69
February	4,528	4,839	1,019	4,385	4,515	2,223	2,022	2,763	2,383	115
March	5,220	4,591	837	4,996	4,670	2,088	1,859	3,063	2,639	133
April	5,295	4,827	979	4,329	4,584	2,005	2,017	2,746	2,480	151
May	5,864	4,573	1,061	5,034	4,261	1,856	1,891	3,133	3,264	147
June	5,600	4,639	901	4,760	4,613	1,650	1,904	3,522	3,176	153
1969-70—										
July	5,664	5,416	1,155	4,636	4,460	1,851	1,892	2,973	3,428	170
August	5,769	4,458	1,081	4,869	4,130	1,696	1,882	3,268	3,076	133
September	5,988	5,182	1,335	5,140	4,602	1,953	1,871	3,362	3,283	144
October	6,347	5,263	1,197	5,340	4,873	2,202	1,843	3,191	3,541	137
November	5,546	5,039	1,139	4,798	4,429	2,095	1,858	2,840	2,995	131
December	4,299	4,132	630	4,230	5,317	1,839	1,862	2,446	2,476	103
January	2,930	2,820	337	2,257	4,777	r1,175	r1,836	1,609	1,707	71
February	5,372	5,063	1,140	4,888	5,023	2,041	1,854	2,978	2,705	137
March	5,264	5,211	1,100	4,269	4,330	2,079	1,935	2,717	2,868	146
April	5,407	5,355	1,312	4,850	4,890	2,096	1,956	3,050	3,112	163

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named.

(b) Over 12 inches wide.

(c) Excludes towels and towelling.

(d) Excludes blanketing and rug material.

PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING

Period	Hosiery		Men's and youths'—			Shirts, men s and boys'	Underwear		Boots, shoes and sandals (not rubber)	
	Men's	Women's full length	Short length coats and jackets (a)		Sports trousers		Men's and boys'	Women's and girls'	Original	Seasonally adjusted
			Suit	Other						
	'000 doz pairs	'000 doz pairs	'000	'000	'000	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 pairs	'000 pairs
Monthly average										
1959-60 .	130	212	64.7	75.7	272	153	157	265	2,136	..
1960-61 .	113	218	66.8	70.2	303	152	160	281	2,026	..
1961-62 .	118	235	68.7	68.9	309	135	170	278	2,122	..
1962-63 .	137	285	75.7	59.6	342	160	178	297	2,228	..
1963-64 .	136	316	78.1	60.3	338	164	174	313	(b) 2,916	..
1964-65 .	142	353	84.2	61.5	357	179	191	312	2,942	..
1965-66 .	141	362	83.8	67.4	355	189	188	319	2,912	..
1966-67 .	151	391	81.1	77.4	356	184	188	308	3,084	..
1967-68 .	159	(c) 449	79.2	70.0	335	181	199	333	3,173	..
1968-69p .	158	468	85.5	78.2	371	194	199	359	3,204	..
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
March .	154	482	79.2	101.8	403	163	194	325	3,140	3,125
April .	155	451	76.3	85.8	384	153	188	324	3,001	3,109
May .	180	524	85.5	91.5	423	198	224	369	3,403	3,099
June .	162	450	78.4	81.2	320	187	180	327	2,726	2,994
1968-69p—										
July .	197	541	85.3	78.6	342	214	223	389	3,580	3,141
August .	191	522	91.7	66.3	349	220	203	358	3,599	3,202
September .	189	523	91.2	62.8	340	215	200	385	3,770	3,313
October .	195	569	99.6	65.5	405	245	230	420	4,100	3,300
November .	180	561	103.0	61.6	375	228	226	445	3,595	3,286
December .	119	358	83.4	52.9	317	160	169	335	2,461	3,118
January .	78	283	40.8	44.0	217	97	102	213	1,762	3,223
February .	152	521	82.3	90.7	415	176	200	383	3,051	3,223
March .	149	469	88.0	98.5	430	181	194	369	3,214	3,201
April .	151	415	83.8	112.3	453	192	217	353	3,147	3,173
May .	149	436	89.6	109.0	437	199	203	332	3,138	3,033
June .	150	424	87.7	96.5	376	200	221	319	3,035	3,220
1969-70p—										
July .	184	493	96.3	91.2	406	238	251	346	3,730	3,268
August .	176	464	92.4	85.0	342	219	218	303	3,343	3,085
September .	185	532	100.3	81.4	380	243	236	339	3,807	3,223
October .	186	617	114.5	86.7	417	271	233	273	3,941	3,182
November .	155	509	107.5	72.2	383	224	214	350	3,390	3,203
December .	134	399	87.7	71.2	334	191	181	290	2,704	3,227
January .	80	289	37.3	41.3	210	89	97	158	1,723	3,543
February .	156	538	90.1	102.1	449	188	212	332	3,281	3,461
March .	148	478	91.1	113.5	479	188	211	353	3,294	3,418
April .	177	506	96.8	120.9	538	209	223	383	3,645	3,409

(a) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats. (b) From July 1963, includes slippers of cemented, vulcanised-moulded rubber and injection-moulded plastic construction. (c) From July 1967 includes panty hose.

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period	Mattresses, inner spring	Lawn mowers, petrol (rotary)	Motor spirit (a)	Aviation turbine fuel (a)	Furnace fuel (a)	Plastics and synthetic resins (b)	Newsprint	Soap	Margarine	
									Table	Other
	'000	No.	Million gal	Million gal	'000 tons	'000 cwt	Tons	'000 cwt	'000 lb	'000 lb
Monthly average										
1959-60	51.6	20,240	88	5.5	258	99	7,376	105	1,332	2,187
1960-61	49.5	16,335	96	6.0	293	89	7,336	104	1,344	2,281
1961-62	52.9	16,726	101	7.4	323	112	7,480	98	n.a.	5,406
1962-63	53.7	18,098	105	6.3	386	143	7,520	101	n.a.	5,634
1963-64	57.4	16,600	113	7.2	391	165	7,670	102	n.a.	6,685
1964-65	60.6	16,760	124	7.5	406	177	7,762	98	5,911	5,755
1965-66	58.8	14,700	127	10.2	445	202	7,768	138	4,475	5,657
1966-67	56.9	18,319	147	13.3	489	238	8,105	134	4,030	6,345
1967-68	55.0	15,409	158	17.7	517	279	7,721	119	2,965	7,440
1968-69p	54.8	17,442	169	18.6	509	r321	10,328	112	2,986	8,389
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
March	57.7	9,598	156	18.0	500	278	8,226	128	2,558	6,969
April	51.2	7,534	149	18.2	537	295	7,985	116	3,358	8,345
May	59.4	5,478	169	19.7	555	294	7,967	129	3,477	8,038
June	46.1	1,961	146	18.3	499	283	7,692	125	2,513	9,513
1968-69p—										
July	56.7	6,634	162	13.5	596	324	7,670	129	3,392	10,422
August	56.5	27,109	171	20.8	575	326	8,182	110	3,300	8,582
September	54.5	31,971	157	17.8	579	301	8,014	121	2,802	8,209
October	62.1	32,664	181	19.8	595	299	8,394	123	3,668	9,005
November	56.3	22,827	155	18.0	527	312	7,532	120	2,599	9,749
December	58.3	15,190	183	22.9	543	343	5,869	91	2,899	6,060
January	40.6	15,138	165	20.4	503	294	10,490	80	1,902	5,406
February	53.0	16,309	162	17.5	409	313	11,353	111	2,976	6,544
March	55.7	15,724	174	20.0	500	361	13,725	119	2,760	7,953
April	53.7	11,798	177	17.1	445	315	13,405	99	3,349	9,562
May	57.6	5,135	165	18.6	422	311	14,722	119	3,599	10,098
June	52.4	8,804	170	16.4	418	348	14,579	117	2,587	9,081
1969-70p—										
July	57.6	19,625	173	15.2	476	365	14,891	128	3,870	10,469
August	56.0	24,976	179	19.7	472	383	14,606	117	3,318	9,652
September	59.0	40,953	160	20.7	450	391	14,684	96	2,926	9,152
October	62.5	41,448	171	24.1	502	364	15,001	119	3,955	10,033
November	61.1	32,186	162	22.0	527	362	14,338	95	2,807	8,382
December	64.8	24,938	195	24.8	547	331	10,976	102	2,026	8,745
January	40.7	21,198	169	19.4	495	292	13,533	87	1,784	6,455
February	59.9	20,810	159	21.6	491	299	13,584	91	3,261	7,538
March	57.6	16,485	189	29.3	527	395	15,334	111	2,518	8,491
April	61.8	11,109	172	28.9	464	374	14,738	114	3,675	9,971

(a) Source: Department of National Development, content.

(b) Liquid resins or emulsion forms are shown in terms of dry weight of resin

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations)

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -119-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963-100)

Period	Belgium	Canada (a)	France (a)	Germany West (a)	Italy	Japan	Nether- lands	Norway (a)	Sweden (a)	United King- dom (a) (b)	U.S.A. (a)
1961 . . .	88	86	90	93	84	83	90	91	89	96	88
1962 . . .	93	94	95	97	92	90	95	95	94	97	95
1963 . . .	100	100	100	100	100	-100-	-100-	100	100	100	100
1964 . . .	107	110	107	108	102	116	110	109	110	108	106
1965 . . .	109	119	109	114	107	120	116	115	119	112	115
1966 . . .	111	128	116	116	-119-	136	123	121	123	113	126
1967 . . .	113	130	120	114	128	162	129	127	127	114	127
1968 . . .	120	137	125	128	136	190	143	132	135	120	133
1969 p . .	132	144	142	144	141	222	161	138	145	123	139
1968—											
February .	116	133	132	116	133	178	136	140	134	121	131
March . .	120	134	134	122	139	191	140	142	138	125	132
April . . .	120	136	134	127	136	181	139	122	145	116	131
May . . .	121	139	93	128	143	184	146	132	143	123	133
June . . .	118	143	108	137	134	189	132	138	144	120	136
July . . .	98	128	116	116	145	192	125	86	68	111	129
August . .	115	132	81	118	100	185	140	132	129	108	132
September .	127	141	129	134	143	197	142	140	143	121	137
October . .	138	144	141	136	154	201	164	147	149	126	137
November .	125	147	147	150	139	206	160	147	153	130	136
December .	125	141	148	141	139	211	158	129	150	123	134
1969 p—											
January . .	130	139	143	r129	142	192	158	135	146	r121	134
February . .	121	145	144	137	136	205	147	145	144	126	137
March . . .	133	148	144	141	152	219	153	147	150	r128	139
April . . .	134	145	150	146	149	214	157	127	157	121	138
May . . .	127	146	149	149	154	213	154	131	156	124	139
June . . .	136	149	147	150	147	221	157	148	156	r126	142
July . . .	109	132	134	132	159	225	147	92	79	114	135
August . . .	122	137	88	132	106	215	148	138	136	109	140
September .	141	145	141	147	146	233	163	150	152	123	144
October . .	r153	146	150	153	143	239	183	155	162	r126	143
November .	136	151	155	168	127	237	175	155	167	132	140
December .	143	145	159	153	131	250	182	135	160	124	136
1970—											
January . .	134	144	155	r142	r148	227	174	137	153	123	135
February . .		151	r159	r150		243	167	151	160	129	137
March . . .			159	157							138

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Includes construction.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES(a)

Period	Cars and station wagons		Utilities, panel vans, trucks(b), omnibuses, ambulances, hearses		Total (excluding motor cycles)		Motor cycles	Total motor vehicles
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1959-60	18,681	..	5,757	..	24,438	..	807	25,246
1960-61	18,594	..	4,931	..	23,526	..	655	24,181
1961-62	18,012	..	4,345	..	22,356	..	593	22,949
1962-63	23,745	..	5,007	..	28,752	..	452	29,204
1963-64	27,444	..	5,901	..	33,344	..	456	33,801
1964-65	28,962	..	6,123	..	35,085	..	624	35,709
1965-66	25,671	..	6,312	..	31,983	..	724	32,706
1966-67	26,181	..	6,330	..	32,511	..	1,100	33,611
1967-68	30,563	..	6,372	..	36,935	..	1,745	38,679
1968-69	31,174	..	7,077	..	38,250	..	1,997	40,248
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
April	31,700	31,546	5,401	5,942	37,101	37,457	1,923	39,024
May	36,823	32,209	7,475	6,531	44,298	38,587	1,977	46,275
June	31,567	33,423	7,217	7,548	38,784	41,403	1,346	40,130
1968-69—								
July	31,825	30,274	8,141	7,116	39,966	37,372	1,688	41,654
August	28,235	27,967	7,309	6,944	35,544	34,771	1,633	37,177
September	27,243	28,987	6,829	6,776	34,072	35,841	1,789	35,861
October	32,772	30,064	7,857	7,062	40,629	37,251	1,999	42,628
November	30,870	30,487	7,532	7,077	38,402	37,325	2,014	40,416
December	30,780	31,103	6,425	6,974	37,205	37,827	1,948	39,153
January	27,506	31,330	5,594	6,986	33,100	38,354	2,102	35,202
February	30,314	32,965	6,530	7,341	36,844	40,381	2,486	39,330
March	34,530	34,800	7,478	7,513	42,008	42,372	2,646	44,654
April	31,185	30,017	6,719	7,292	37,904	37,639	2,051	39,955
May	36,999	33,556	8,048	7,364	45,047	40,596	2,076	47,123
June	31,826	33,435	6,456	6,554	38,282	40,031	1,536	39,818
1969-70—								
July	36,084	33,610	7,858	6,860	43,942	40,541	1,988	45,930
August	32,942	33,821	7,695	7,633	40,637	41,325	1,758	42,395
September	35,616	36,625	8,135	7,731	43,751	44,364	2,086	45,837
October	36,008	33,319	8,225	7,407	44,233	40,803	2,341	46,574
November	33,548	33,872	7,441	7,299	40,989	41,067	2,056	43,045
December	34,321	33,414	7,100	7,338	41,421	40,708	2,260	43,681
January	29,722	35,226	5,853	7,633	35,575	42,682	2,367	37,942
February	34,331	37,216	6,996	7,846	41,327	45,136	2,818	44,145
March	33,091	33,643	6,974	7,511	40,065	41,360	2,797	42,862
April	37,809	34,871	8,627	8,391	46,436	43,376	2,573	49,009
May	32,378	30,317	7,242	6,948	39,620	37,065	2,146	41,766

(a) Registrations during period. Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles except those belonging to the defence services. all truck-type vehicles.

(b) Includes

RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Part of the shipping cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately; 1 'ton measurement' equals 40 cubic feet.

Period	Government railways				Overseas cargo				Interstate cargo shipped	
	Goods and livestock		Pas-senger-journeys	Gross earnings	Shipped from Australian ports		Discharged at Australian ports			
	Tons carried	Net ton-miles			Tons weight	Tons measure-ment	Tons weight	Tons measure-ment	Tons weight	Tons measure-ment
	'000	Million	Million	\$ million	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average										
1959-60	4,264	667.1	39.9	32.4	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	4,614	732.3	38.6	34.7	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	4,630	735.2	38.5	34.6	1,443	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962-63	4,659	771.1	38.7	35.4	1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
1963-64	5,145	875.0	39.2	38.7	1,645	155	1,731	329	1,303	101
1964-65	5,404	928.7	38.7	40.3	1,702	165	1,934	370	1,342	117
1965-66	5,362	917.6	38.3	39.6	1,812	170	2,013	343	1,348	124
1966-67	5,707	959.7	37.9	42.5	2,724	162	2,259	346	1,307	148
1967-68	5,922	1,022.0	37.7	43.9	3,445	175	2,297	390	1,434	156
1968-69	6,312	1,093.8	37.3	45.3	4,576	171	2,438	438	1,540	161
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
October	6,411	1,082.8	38.0	46.9	3,811	144	2,524	398	1,487	164
November	6,432	1,097.3	34.5	46.3	3,432	147	2,255	338	1,412	149
December	5,238	921.6	32.9	40.3	3,295	158	2,553	325	1,406	150
January	4,707	838.1	36.1	38.5	3,352	91	2,282	433	1,470	129
February	5,842	1,004.5	41.6	41.9	3,169	150	1,951	342	1,353	156
March	5,988	1,078.4	37.2	43.8	3,430	189	2,350	404	1,282	171
April	5,566	1,004.5	36.9	42.4	3,423	250	2,291	422	1,369	179
May	6,209	1,078.2	41.3	45.0	3,953	310	2,365	431	1,595	177
June	5,898	996.5	35.6	44.0	3,205	172	2,323	408	1,595	156
1968-69—										
July	6,805	1,118.5	42.3	47.1	4,034	183	2,547	491	1,545	160
August	6,421	1,084.1	36.7	45.9	4,066	161	2,492	469	1,561	139
September	6,415	1,106.9	43.8	46.3	4,271	148	2,526	514	1,492	160
October	6,574	1,113.3	34.1	46.0	4,238	152	2,455	451	1,649	182
November	6,585	1,103.6	34.8	44.9	4,362	145	2,202	478	1,708	170
December	5,859	1,020.0	34.5	45.1	4,750	158	2,568	406	1,617	159
January	5,368	934.8	32.2	40.0	4,031	129	2,559	434	1,444	142
February	5,812	1,020.0	38.8	40.3	4,265	102	2,072	368	1,451	175
March	6,781	1,188.7	38.0	48.2	4,948	182	2,629	403	1,380	187
April	6,189	1,117.5	34.0	45.5	5,037	276	2,183	395	1,572	177
May	6,359	1,167.9	39.6	46.3	4,669	221	2,583	370	1,439	122
June	6,576	1,151.2	38.8	48.0	6,237	197	2,445	471	1,625	159
1969-70p—										
July	7,340	1,292.2	39.2	51.8	6,037	159	2,487	474	1,565	193
August	6,909	1,234.6	35.9	48.4						
September	7,237	1,273.2	42.7	52.1						
October	7,564	1,339.3	35.1	52.7						

COMMUNICATION

TELEPHONE SERVICES AND BROADCAST AND TELEVISION LICENCES

Period	Telephone subscribers' services			Licences for broadcast and television receivers(a)				
	Effective applications during period(b)	Services connected during period	Services in operation at end of period	New issues of Licences(c)			Licences in force at end of period	
				Broadcast	Television	Combined	Broadcast (including combined licences)	Television (including combined licences)
	'000 (d)	'000 (d)	'000 (e)	'000 (d)	'000 (d)	'000 (d)	'000	'000
1959-60.	14.1	13.9	1,514	13.3	33.6	..	2,283	955
1960-61.	14.1	15.1	1,631	12.9	26.9	..	2,256	1,217
1961-62.	17.1	17.4	1,718	10.8	24.0	..	2,220	1,424
1962-63.	22.5	22.1	1,812	14.5	24.4	..	2,240	1,655
1963-64.	26.5	24.8	1,919	15.5	22.5	..	2,302	1,882
1964-65.	23.9	25.4	2,010	(a) 14.1	(a) 19.5	(a) 19.4	2,358	2,045
1965-66.	25.2	26.7	2,120	6.4	5.1	16.8	2,526	2,226
1966-67.	27.7	28.2	2,235	6.0	5.0	17.5	2,538	2,405
1967-68.	30.0	29.9	2,359	6.0	4.7	18.2	2,580	2,519
1968-69.	34.2	33.8	2,511	5.5	6.2	17.0	2,630	2,649
	(g)	(g)		(g)	(g)	(g)		
1967-68—								
March	32.4	31.2	2,326	8.9	5.9	22.9	2,591	2,501
April	27.9	27.8	2,337	5.2	3.9	15.1	2,593	2,514
May	33.1	33.3	2,347	5.8	4.6	18.8	2,601	2,522
June	33.6	34.6	2,359	4.9	4.3	16.9	2,580	2,519
1968-69—								
July	31.5	31.2	2,371	5.4	4.8	19.1	2,605	2,559
August	37.0	35.8	2,385	6.4	5.2	21.4	2,603	2,565
September	33.0	33.9	2,398	6.6	7.3	19.3	2,610	2,568
October	31.8	31.4	2,411	5.2	(h) 22.9	16.8	2,606	2,568
November	33.8	33.4	2,423	4.7	3.5	14.3	2,607	2,577
December	25.8	29.8	2,434	3.8	3.1	11.8	2,625	2,577
January	33.2	31.1	2,443	3.9	3.1	12.0	2,637	2,594
February	39.2	35.4	2,454	5.2	3.9	15.3	2,594	2,559
March	35.1	33.3	2,468	5.8	5.1	16.4	2,600	2,575
April	31.9	31.1	2,480	6.5	5.3	20.3	2,627	2,624
May	38.5	38.9	2,495	6.8	5.5	20.2	2,625	2,618
June	39.1	40.4	2,511	5.3	4.2	16.9	2,630	2,649
1969-70p—								
July	36.8	37.1	2,527	5.7	4.7	19.6	2,628	2,639
August	42.3	41.8	2,545	4.7	4.4	18.1	2,617	2,643
September	37.7	36.4	2,560	5.7	3.9	17.0	2,638	2,670
October	38.9	39.6	2,577	5.5	4.7	17.4	2,655	2,698
November	41.1	40.2	2,594	3.8	3.6	14.3	2,632	2,656
December	31.8	34.7	2,609	3.7	3.5	12.9	2,634	2,657
January	40.7	35.9	2,620	4.1	3.3	12.7	2,643	2,678
February	46.1	42.5	2,635	4.6	3.8	15.2	2,634	2,662
March	38.3	37.7	2,651	5.2	4.3	19.1	2,633	2,678
April	43.0	42.5	2,668	7.2	6.3	28.8	2,673	2,733

(a) Combined broadcast listeners' and television viewers' licences commenced 1 April 1965 and are issued to persons owning both television and broadcast receivers at the same address. New issues of combined licences may include renewal licences of either type.
 (b) Demand for telephone services, allowing for applications withdrawn during period. (c) Includes new issues to persons whose previous licence had expired; these may increase significantly in certain months due to special licence inspection campaigns of the P.M.G.'s Department.
 (d) Monthly average. (e) Exchange lines only. (f) From March 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included. (g) Monthly total. (h) Includes increase due to short-term licence holders taking out annual licences.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(\$ million)

CURRENT ACCOUNT(a)

Period	Exports f.o.b. (b)	Imports f.o.b. (b)	Balance of trade	Invisible credits				Invisible debits				Balance on current account
				Transportation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	Transportation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	
Quarterly average												
1964-65	644	685	- 41	83	30	29	35	151	101	43	35	-194
1965-66	657	706	- 49	88	28	31	39	161	107	50	39	-220
1966-67	731	709	22	97	31	34	41	169	116	58	45	-163
1967-68	735	790	- 55	112	32	39	42	194	150	59	48	-281
1968-69	804	801	3	126	37	41	44	209	180	62	54	-254
Quarterly total												
1967-68—												
September	715	770	- 55	104	31	36	38	182	127	63	42	-260
December	759	741	18	111	26	39	36	187	164	64	48	-233
March	693	834	-141	117	34	46	48	206	138	54	52	-346
June	774	814	- 40	118	38	35	45	201	172	57	50	-284
1968-69—												
September	742	844	-102	121	36	41	40	204	171	57	46	-342
December	826	804	22	124	29	43	42	193	188	69	52	-242
March	793	741	52	127	42	38	47	212	165	53	61	-185
June	856	814	42	130	41	42	46	226	196	70	56	-247
1969-70—												
September	962	906	56	134	31	44	43	215	203	67	58	-235
December	979	902	77	145	41	45	46	226	218	87	67	-244
March	1,024	860	164	149	40	43	53	241	221	63	65	-141

CAPITAL ITEMS(a)

Period	Government		Private					Monetary movements				
	Securi- ties	Other	Market- ing authori- ties	Other	Monetary sector transac- tions, n.e.i.	Balan- cing item	Net apparent capital inflow	Change in official reserve assets	Allo- cation of SDR's	Change in other foreign assets	Other monetary move- ments	Net monetary move- ments
Quarterly average												
1964-65	- 6	- 6	-15	140	4	3	120	-73	..	- 1	..	-74
1965-66	- 7	10	9	163	2	57	234	11	..	4	- 1	14
1966-67	6	-13	-19	121	2	35	132	-33	..	- 5	7	-31
1967-68	37	-15	8	229	11	31	301	19	..	2	- 1	20
1968-69	36	-17	7	230	- 3	38	291	36	..	6	- 5	37
Quarterly total												
1967-68—												
September	14	-55	31	169	6	28	193	-51	..	-16	..	-67
December	66	47	- 7	190	11	7	314	(c)67	..	(c)15	- 1	81
March	13	-10	14	202	5	147	371	25	..	..	..	25
June	55	-42	- 5	353	22	-59	324	34	..	8	- 2	40
1968-69—												
September	86	-40	8	199	- 6	54	301	- 1	..	-35	- 5	-41
December	2	3	15	246	1	34	301	12	..	53	- 6	59
March	73	-20	15	238	..	8	314	133	..	- 4	..	129
June	-18	-10	-11	236	- 7	58	248	- 2	..	12	- 9	1
1969-70—												
September	-64	-27	1	98	6	36	50	-184	..	- 1	..	-185
December	-11	2	-22	195	-11	46	199	-110	..	72	- 7	-45
March	- 8	- 7	-10	(d)*	4	(e)179	158	(f)106	-75	-14	..	17

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Note. For more detailed information see the half-yearly mimeographed bulletin *Balance of Payments* (Ref. No. 8. 1).

COMMUNICATION

TELEPHONE SERVICES AND BROADCAST AND TELEVISION LICENCES

Period	Telephone subscribers' services			Licences for broadcast and television receivers(a)					
	Effective applications during period(b)	Services connected during period	Services in operation at end of period	New issues of Licences(c)			Licences in force at end of period		
				Broadcast	Television	Combined	Broadcast (including combined licences)	Television (including combined licences)	
	'000 (d)	'000 (d)	'000 (e)	'000 (d)	'000 (d)	'000 (d)	'000	'000	
1959-60.	14.1	13.9	1,514	13.3	33.6	..	2,283	955	
1960-61.	14.1	15.1	1,631	12.9	26.9	..	2,256	1,217	
1961-62.	17.1	17.4	1,718	10.8	(f) 24.0	..	2,220	1,424	
1962-63.	22.5	22.1	1,812	14.5	24.4	..	2,240	1,655	
1963-64.	26.5	24.8	1,919	15.5	22.5	..	2,302	1,882	
1964-65.	23.9	25.4	2,010	(a) 14.1	(a) 19.5	(a) 19.4	2,358	2,045	
1965-66.	25.2	26.7	2,120	6.4	5.1	16.8	2,526	2,226	
1966-67.	27.7	28.2	2,235	6.0	5.0	17.5	2,538	2,405	
1967-68.	30.0	29.9	2,359	6.0	4.7	18.2	2,580	2,519	
1968-69.	34.2	33.8	2,511	5.5	6.2	17.0	2,630	2,649	
	(g)	(g)		(g)	(g)	(g)			
1967-68—									
March.	32.4	31.2	2,326	8.9	5.9	22.9	2,591	2,501	
April.	27.9	27.8	2,337	5.2	3.9	15.1	2,593	2,514	
May.	33.1	33.3	2,347	5.8	4.6	18.8	2,601	2,522	
June.	33.6	34.6	2,359	4.9	4.3	16.9	2,580	2,519	
1968-69—									
July.	31.5	31.2	2,371	5.4	4.8	19.1	2,605	2,559	
August.	37.0	35.8	2,385	6.4	5.2	21.4	2,603	2,565	
September.	33.0	33.9	2,398	6.6	7.3	19.3	2,610	2,568	
October.	31.8	31.4	2,411	5.2	(h) 22.9	16.8	2,606	2,568	
November.	33.8	33.4	2,423	4.7	3.5	14.3	2,607	2,577	
December.	25.8	29.8	2,434	3.8	3.1	11.8	2,625	2,577	
January.	33.2	31.1	2,443	3.9	3.1	12.0	2,637	2,594	
February.	39.2	35.4	2,454	5.2	3.9	15.3	2,594	2,559	
March.	35.1	33.3	2,468	5.8	5.1	16.4	2,600	2,575	
April.	31.9	31.1	2,480	6.5	5.3	20.3	2,627	2,624	
May.	38.5	38.9	2,495	6.8	5.5	20.2	2,625	2,618	
June.	39.1	40.4	2,511	5.3	4.2	16.9	2,630	2,649	
1969-70p—									
July.	36.8	37.1	2,527	5.7	4.7	19.6	2,628	2,639	
August.	42.3	41.8	2,545	4.7	4.4	18.1	2,617	2,643	
September.	37.7	36.4	2,560	5.7	3.9	17.0	2,638	2,670	
October.	38.9	39.6	2,577	5.5	4.7	17.4	2,655	2,698	
November.	41.1	40.2	2,594	3.8	3.6	14.3	2,632	2,656	
December.	31.8	34.7	2,609	3.7	3.5	12.9	2,634	2,657	
January.	40.7	35.9	2,620	4.1	3.3	12.7	2,643	2,678	
February.	46.1	42.5	2,635	4.6	3.8	15.2	2,634	2,662	
March.	38.3	37.7	2,651	5.2	4.3	19.1	2,633	2,678	
April.	43.0	42.5	2,668	7.2	6.3	28.8	2,673	2,733	

(a) Combined broadcast listeners' and television viewers' licences commenced 1 April 1965 and are issued to persons owning both television and broadcast receivers at the same address. New issues of combined licences may include renewal licences of either type.
 (b) Demand for telephone services, allowing for applications withdrawn during period.
 (c) Includes new issues to persons whose previous licence had expired; these may increase significantly in certain months due to special licence inspection campaigns of the P.M.G.'s Department.
 (d) Monthly average.
 (e) Exchange lines only.
 (f) From March 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included.
 (g) Monthly total.
 (h) Includes increase due to short-term licence holders taking out annual licences.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(\$ million)

CURRENT ACCOUNT(a)

Period	Exports f.o.b. (b)	Imports f.o.b. (b)	Balance of trade	Invisible credits				Invisible debits				Balance on current account
				Transportation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	Transportation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	
Quarterly average												
1964-65	644	685	- 41	83	30	29	35	151	101	43	35	-194
1965-66	657	706	- 49	88	28	31	39	161	107	50	39	-220
1966-67	731	709	22	97	31	34	41	169	116	58	45	-163
1967-68	735	790	- 55	112	32	39	42	194	150	59	48	-281
1968-69	804	801	3	126	37	41	44	209	180	62	54	-254
Quarterly total												
1967-68—												
September	715	770	- 55	104	31	36	38	182	127	63	42	-260
December	759	741	18	111	26	39	36	187	164	64	48	-233
March	693	834	-141	117	34	46	48	206	138	54	52	-346
June	774	814	- 40	118	38	35	45	201	172	57	50	-284
1968-69—												
September	742	844	-102	121	36	41	40	204	171	57	46	-342
December	826	804	22	124	29	43	42	193	188	69	52	-242
March	793	741	52	127	42	38	47	212	165	53	61	-185
June	856	814	42	130	41	42	46	226	196	70	56	-247
1969-70—												
September	962	906	56	134	31	44	43	215	203	67	58	-235
December	979	902	77	145	41	45	46	226	218	87	67	-244
March	1,024	860	164	149	40	43	53	241	221	63	65	-141

CAPITAL ITEMS(a)

Period	Government		Private					Monetary movements				
	Securi- ties	Other	Market- ing authori- ties	Other	Monetary sector trans- actions, n.e.i.	Balan- cing item	Net apparent capital inflow	Change in official reserve assets	Allo- cation of SDR's	Change in other foreign assets	Other mone- tary move- ments	Net mone- tary move- ments
Quarterly average												
1964-65	- 6	- 6	-15	140	4	3	120	-73	..	- 1	..	-74
1965-66	- 7	10	9	163	2	57	234	11	..	4	- 1	14
1966-67	6	-13	-19	121	2	35	132	-33	..	- 5	7	-31
1967-68	37	-15	8	229	11	31	301	19	..	2	- 1	20
1968-69	36	-17	7	230	- 3	38	291	36	..	6	- 5	37
Quarterly total												
1967-68—												
September	14	-55	31	169	6	28	193	-51	..	-16	..	-67
December	66	47	- 7	190	11	7	314	(c)67	..	(c)15	- 1	81
March	13	-10	14	202	5	147	371	25	..	..	..	25
June	55	-42	- 5	353	22	-59	324	34	..	8	- 2	40
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March	73	-20	15	238	..	8	314	133	..	- 4	..	129
June	-18	-10	-11	236	- 7	58	248	- 2	..	12	- 9	1
1969-70—												
September	-64	-27	1	98	6	36	50	-184	..	- 1	..	-185
December	-11	2	-22	195	-11	46	199	-110	..	72	- 7	-45
March	- 8	- 7	-10	(d)*	4	(e)179	158	(f)106	-75	-14	..	17

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NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, TURNOVER AND EXPENDITURE

Period	Gross national product at factor cost			Gross national product at market prices				plus imports of goods and services	National turnover of goods and services	less exports of goods and services	Gross national expen- diture
	Farm	Non-farm	Total	Components			Total				
				Wages salaries and supple- ments	Gross operating surplus of trading enter- prises	Indirect taxes less subsidies					
ORIGINAL											
Quarterly average											
1964-65	521	3,919	4,440	2,454	1,985	511	4,950	870	5,820	762	5,058
1965-66	463	4,171	4,634	2,646	1,988	558	5,192	906	6,098	784	5,314
1966-67	558	4,538	5,096	2,878	2,218	595	5,691	923	6,614	869	5,745
1967-68	436	4,967	5,403	3,125	2,278	646	6,049	1,032	7,081	890	6,191
1968-69	557	5,523	6,080	3,466	2,614	713	6,793	1,063	7,856	973	6,883
Quarterly total											
1967-68—											
September	374	4,839	5,213	3,034	2,179	603	5,816	994	6,810	857	5,953
December	855	5,241	6,096	3,243	2,853	595	6,691	976	7,667	906	6,761
March	336	4,723	5,059	3,012	2,047	662	5,721	1,092	6,813	858	5,955
June	179	5,065	5,244	3,210	2,034	723	5,967	1,065	7,032	937	6,095
1968-69—											
September	447	5,326	5,773	3,276	2,497	651	6,424	1,094	7,518	903	6,615
December	1,035	5,838	6,873	3,611	3,262	703	7,576	1,049	8,625	992	7,633
March	546	5,284	5,830	3,376	2,454	700	6,530	1,014	7,544	967	6,577
June	200	5,643	5,843	3,599	2,244	798	6,641	1,096	7,737	1,032	6,705
1969-70—											
September	414	6,040	6,454	3,725	2,729	739	7,193	1,179	8,372	1,139	7,233
December	754	6,578	7,332	4,054	3,278	776	8,108	1,195	9,303	1,170	8,133
March	599	5,856	6,455	3,725	2,730	748	7,203	1,166	8,369	1,226	7,143
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED											
Quarterly total											
1967-68—											
September	517	4,788	5,305	3,034	2,271	627	5,932	985	6,917	889	6,028
December	419	4,935	5,354	3,112	2,242	603	5,957	1,006	6,963	884	6,079
March	446	4,980	5,426	3,114	2,312	680	6,106	1,090	7,196	874	6,322
June	447	5,180	5,627	3,240	2,387	670	6,297	1,049	7,346	911	6,435
1968-69—											
September	488	5,274	5,762	3,287	2,475	678	6,440	1,077	7,517	935	6,582
December	574	5,437	6,011	3,409	2,602	713	6,724	1,073	7,797	968	6,829
March	537	5,646	6,183	3,566	2,617	718	6,901	1,021	7,922	989	6,933
June	527	5,774	6,301	3,634	2,667	740	7,041	1,081	8,122	1,001	7,121
1969-70—											
September	554	5,969	6,523	3,721	2,802	770	7,293	1,155	8,448	1,180	7,268
December	500	6,069	6,569	3,775	2,794	787	7,356	1,226	8,582	1,140	7,442
March	493	6,313	6,806	3,989	2,817	766	7,572	1,170	8,742	1,255	7,487

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NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

COMPONENTS OF GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE

Period	Net current expenditure on goods and services			Gross fixed capital expenditure						Increase in the value of stocks	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national expenditure
	Personal consumption	Financial enterprises	Public authorities	Private				Public enterprises	Public authorities			
				Dwellings	Other new building and construction	All other	Total private					
ORIGINAL												
Quarterly average												
1964-65	3,000	65	511	223	158	465	846	255	209	..	..	5,058
1965-66	3,177	70	596	222	189	496	907	284	228	..	..	5,314
1966-67	3,411	78	671	242	184	525	951	299	240	..	..	5,745
1967-68	3,699	83	760	271	220	540	1,031	338	255	..	..	6,191
1968-69	3,955	92	832	318	253	594	1,165	356	278	..	..	6,883
Quarterly total												
1967-68—												
September	3,548	84	690	265	219	494	978	315	219	51	68	5,953
December	3,900	81	770	266	247	570	1,083	330	252	398	-53	6,761
March	3,587	81	752	266	189	493	948	297	218	24	48	5,955
June	3,759	85	828	286	224	603	1,113	409	329	-249	-179	6,095
1968-69—												
September	3,761	87	763	306	227	558	1,091	336	234	163	180	6,615
December	4,160	94	867	314	288	633	1,235	352	288	664	-27	7,633
March	3,840	92	761	312	212	530	1,054	331	239	185	75	6,577
June	4,060	97	939	340	285	654	1,279	407	353	-152	-278	6,705
1969-70—												
September	4,108	97	832	366	261	604	1,231	336	259	124	246	7,233
December	4,559	106	973	367	309	657	1,333	393	321	260	188	8,133
March	4,179	107	820	363	226	592	1,181	340	250	264	2	7,143
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
Quarterly total												
1967-68—												
September	3,600	83	724	259	218	511	988	332	250	51		6,028
December	3,668	80	738	265	222	532	1,019	333	243	-2		6,079
March	3,737	83	814	275	220	549	1,044	324	256	64		6,322
June	3,787	85	768	285	219	568	1,072	359	266	98		6,435
1968-69—												
September	3,818	87	801	299	227	575	1,101	354	267	154		6,582
December	3,904	93	827	313	256	591	1,160	353	277	215		6,829
March	4,012	94	824	322	247	590	1,169	363	282	199		6,933
June	4,092	96	872	339	280	618	1,237	357	285	182		7,121
1969-70—												
September	4,171	97	875	357	262	622	1,241	354	296	234		7,268
December	4,283	104	928	365	273	613	1,251	394	309	173		7,442
March	4,367	110	888	375	264	659	1,298	373	295	156		7,487

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NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the 'investing public' includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdraft, loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Companies listed on stock exchanges				Companies not listed on stock exchanges			Grand total
	Share capital	Debentures registered notes and deposits	Total		Share capital	Secured loans (a)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted				
Quarterly average								
1963-64 . . .	31.6	40.2	71.8	..	12.1	5.7	17.8	89.6
1964-65 . . .	36.7	42.2	78.9	..	12.9	6.3	19.2	98.1
1965-66 . . .	42.8	37.5	80.3	..	12.7	5.8	18.5	98.8
1966-67 . . .	28.1	50.1	78.2	..	10.1	9.1	19.2	97.4
1967-68 . . .	30.7	87.2	117.9	..	12.7	4.5	17.2	135.1
1968-69 . . .	85.3	111.9	197.2		16.6	8.1	24.7	221.9
Quarterly total								
1967-68—								
September . .	15.2	77.5	92.7	78.3	8.8	5.7	14.5	107.2
December . .	47.0	93.4	140.4	111.5	13.9	4.5	18.4	158.8
March . . .	24.0	92.0	116.0	147.6	10.2	1.7	11.9	127.9
June . . .	36.4	85.8	122.2	156.4	17.9	6.2	24.1	146.3
1968-69—								
September . .	45.1	157.3	202.4	172.4	15.1	9.5	24.6	227.0
December . .	79.9	117.0	196.9	157.9	13.2	13.4	26.6	223.5
March . . .	68.7	96.3	165.0	204.2	14.3	5.4	19.7	184.7
June . . .	147.6	76.8	224.4	288.2	24.0	4.1	28.1	252.5
1969-70—								
September . .	65.8	139.8	205.6	175.1	9.0	3.6	12.6	218.2
December . .	94.4	175.5	269.9	217.9				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.

TOTAL NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY INDUSTRY GROUPS (a) (b) (\$ million)

Period	Manufacturing			Finance and property			Commerce			Other industries		
	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total
Quarterly average												
1963-64	11.2	7.1	18.3	28.0	4.5	32.5	23.0	2.1	25.1	9.6	3.2	12.8
1964-65	26.5	8.0	34.5	33.2	3.3	36.5	6.9	2.6	9.5	12.3	4.5	16.8
1965-66	43.6	6.6	50.2	22.1	3.5	25.6	5.2	2.9	8.1	9.4	4.7	14.1
1966-67	32.5	6.1	38.6	24.9	3.4	28.3	7.9	2.3	10.2	12.9	6.6	19.5
1967-68	26.7	5.1	31.8	67.7	3.6	71.3	3.1	2.4	5.5	20.4	5.2	25.6
1968-69	41.1	5.1	46.2	96.0	6.3	102.3	11.9	3.0	14.9	48.2	9.4	57.6
Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
June	9.4	8.4	17.8	16.0	3.5	19.5	1.8	3.0	1.2	21.5	5.0	26.5
1967-68—												
September	22.1	3.8	25.9	65.3	2.8	68.1	4.4	2.2	6.6	9.9	5.2	15.1
December	22.9	5.7	28.6	82.4	4.4	86.8	13.4	2.2	15.6	21.7	5.5	27.2
March	38.5	3.0	41.5	47.2	2.1	49.3	6.9	2.1	9.0	23.5	4.0	27.5
June	23.3	8.0	31.3	76.1	5.0	81.1	3.7	3.2	6.9	26.5	6.3	32.8
1968-69—												
September	37.7	5.5	43.2	100.3	7.5	107.8	34.2	3.3	37.5	30.1	7.3	37.4
December	44.9	6.7	51.6	91.4	2.3	93.7	14.6	2.3	16.9	46.0	14.3	60.3
March	40.8	2.1	42.9	96.2	7.6	103.8	1.6	1.9	3.5	26.4	7.5	33.9
June	41.0	6.0	47.0	96.1	7.7	103.8	2.8	4.5	1.7	90.1	8.7	98.8
1969-70—												
September	59.1	1.9	61.0	116.4	3.8	120.2	6.2	1.1	7.3	36.2	4.9	41.1
December	41.6			160.4			5.8			62.1		

(a) Small share issues of less than \$2,000 each, made by unlisted companies, are not included. (b) Holding companies are classified according to the predominant activity of the group. (c) Excess of repayments over receipts of new money.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA

CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)

(\$ million)

Period	Notes on issue		Accounts of trading banks				Deposits of savings banks	Other liabilities (excluding capital and reserves) (b)	Gold and foreign exchange	Australian Government securities redeemable in Australia		All other assets
	Held by public	Total	Statutory Reserve Deposit	Term Loan Fund	Farm Development Loan Fund (a)	Other deposits of trading banks				Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other	
Average of weekly figures												
1964-65	745.4	887.1	701.6	48.8	..	13.6	434.4	284.2	1,490.7	193.0	534.4	216.9
1965-66	709.0	871.6	607.8	41.0	13.0	12.9	437.1	274.2	1,207.6	294.9	539.0	286.3
1966-67	752.5	908.8	476.1	42.6	41.7	8.9	455.5	277.9	1,173.8	313.8	439.9	358.5
1967-68	830.1	990.2	479.8	38.4	26.2	8.9	505.1	227.0	1,041.8	187.4	728.4	390.0
1968-69	912.4	1,071.2	522.9	41.2	34.0	7.5	568.3	224.8	1,090.1	300.1	712.5	428.4
1967-68—												
April	869.6	1,025.3	473.3	53.9	29.4	9.2	484.3	199.0	1,019.9	148.3	755.8	419.2
May	843.4	1,005.7	463.1	54.0	44.4	8.5	483.0	173.1	1,037.0	64.0	824.7	375.0
June	849.7	1,009.1	457.8	50.3	45.3	8.6	496.6	184.0	1,023.7	74.7	866.0	356.0
1968-69—												
July	853.8	1,010.1	456.9	47.4	43.3	8.3	521.3	170.9	997.5	113.9	906.2	309.5
August	871.8	1,030.5	456.2	47.4	41.2	8.3	545.3	171.8	1,011.3	186.4	889.7	277.9
September	879.5	1,037.3	455.0	47.3	39.7	9.0	560.5	186.6	993.1	308.8	825.3	268.3
October	882.2	1,043.1	471.1	48.0	37.9	8.1	567.6	188.5	1,014.4	382.9	763.4	263.7
November	895.7	1,051.8	513.4	45.2	36.1	8.3	584.8	206.1	1,041.5	520.8	702.6	240.9
December(c)	948.5	1,129.8	536.8	43.6	34.7	8.1	578.7	210.4	1,051.2	653.1	646.2	251.7
January	932.9	1,104.9	549.1	43.2	33.3	9.7	588.0	220.4	1,041.6	595.3	570.3	401.5
February	910.4	1,074.5	561.6	39.5	31.2	5.6	591.8	233.4	1,120.3	381.4	518.6	577.5
March	919.8	1,078.3	570.9	36.8	30.2	5.9	591.3	250.6	1,180.6	275.4	541.0	626.9
April	951.1	1,111.7	575.1	33.6	28.4	6.0	580.0	265.4	1,197.4	167.7	638.8	656.4
May	937.3	1,097.8	574.1	32.0	26.7	5.3	566.0	255.8	1,215.8	54.3	735.7	611.9
June	942.4	1,103.3	567.6	28.6	24.4	6.5	550.6	347.2	1,234.1	34.0	789.1	631.2
1969-70—												
July	952.3	1,104.3	566.3	26.4	21.8	5.9	524.0	277.3	1,160.0	12.6	852.7	560.9
August	971.6	1,123.3	580.3	27.1	20.2	5.5	553.9	263.0	1,061.9	159.4	864.7	548.6
September	980.6	1,131.9	595.8	24.7	18.7	5.6	585.6	278.0	1,036.5	273.6	871.1	522.2
October	985.0	1,140.1	625.3	22.2	17.9	5.3	605.6	265.8	979.9	377.0	854.7	533.5
November	1,001.9	1,160.8	642.9	20.4	15.3	7.8	624.4	267.4	970.9	530.2	802.2	498.7
December(c)	1,062.6	1,240.9	658.3	19.8	14.0	11.4	614.0	280.9	932.3	698.4	755.6	516.1
January	1,024.9	1,194.0	673.9	21.9	12.5	10.5	616.6	348.2	945.0	715.3	704.9	575.5
February	1,013.8	1,177.8	678.0	23.3	11.9	8.8	613.9	345.0	952.0	601.3	708.0	660.3
March	1,042.7	1,201.5	686.3	24.7	11.1	14.9	611.0	363.3	971.3	539.9	729.3	735.3
April	1,043.8	1,218.8	696.6	21.6	10.9	12.8	604.2	392.9	1,052.7	644.9	806.7	516.4
May	1,046.2	1,211.9	693.1	19.5	10.4	6.2	606.0	376.3	1,159.7	448.6	880.1	497.9

(a) Farm Development Loan Fund was established in April 1966.
Monetary Fund special drawing rights. (c) Excludes one Wednesday.

(b) From January 1970, includes Special Reserve—International

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES

Period	\$ million	Period	\$ million
Average of weekly figures		Average of weekly figures	
1959-60	125.2	1968-69—	
1960-61	144.7	December(b)	139.2
1961-62	137.0	January	301.5
1962-63	133.4	February	469.7
1963-64	143.7	March	515.6
1964-65	161.0	April	529.6
1965-66	195.8	May	498.4
1966-67	245.9	June	489.4
1967-68	283.0		
1968-69	320.6		
		1969-70—	
1967-68—		July	464.5
April	301.5	August	453.4
May	264.1	September	428.2
June	229.8	October	419.7
		November	408.5
1968-69—		December(b)	409.4
July	214.0	January	473.4
August	183.7	February	561.9
September	160.2	March	616.0
October	159.2	April	364.0
November	150.6	May	357.5

(a) Prior to January 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

ADVANCES

(\$ million)

Period	Hire purchase	Other	Period	Hire purchase	Other
Average of weekly figures			Average of weekly figures		
1959-60	35.7	31.9	1968-69—		
1960-61	37.9	35.1	December(b)	62.5	184.1
1961-62	39.9	48.7	January	62.0	184.4
1962-63	41.5	61.7	February	59.4	184.7
1963-64	43.6	71.6	March	56.6	185.2
1964-65	49.1	87.0	April	56.4	185.9
1965-66	52.4	106.8	May	56.6	187.5
1966-67	53.6	134.5	June	57.4	191.5
1967-68	54.2	159.6			
1968-69	58.3	181.9			
			1969-70—		
1967-68—			July	58.2	192.3
April	53.7	164.4	August	58.7	193.2
May	54.5	166.4	September	59.1	193.8
June	55.4	170.8	October	59.6	194.7
			November	60.2	195.9
1968-69—			December(b)	60.6	200.1
July	56.5	172.8	January	59.2	200.2
August	56.9	174.6	February	57.7	199.8
September	57.3	176.1	March	55.8	199.7
October	58.4	177.8	April	55.3	200.4
November	61.0	180.0	May	55.9	201.8

(a) Prior to 14 January 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory reserve deposit account with Reserve Bank	Loans, advances and bills discounted(c)					
	Fixed	Current	Total			Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			Temporary advances to wool-buyers (d)	Term loans (e)	Other (f)	Total		
			Original	Seasonally adjusted									Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Average of weekly figures															
1963-64 .	1,338	2,847	4,185	..	137.1	109.6	866.2	64.4	530.3	108.7	84.4	2,020	2,213	..	..
1964-65 .	1,679	2,995	4,674	..	144.6	114.1	932.3	74.6	700.6	109.3	152.4	2,169	2,430	..	..
1965-66 .	1,943	2,984	4,927	..	160.8	87.7	987.4	70.6	606.8	114.3	190.9	2,404	2,709	..	..
1966-67 .	2,087	3,157	5,244	..	152.4	85.4	1,169.4	82.3	475.1	121.1	233.9	2,616	2,971	..	..
1967-68 .	2,275	3,328	5,603	..	153.5	84.5	1,190.9	75.3	478.6	109.4	275.8	2,965	3,350	..	..
1968-69 .	2,516	3,561	6,077	..	152.6	92.3	1,244.0	87.8	521.5	124.2	334.3	3,275	3,734	..	..
1967-68—															
April .	2,319	3,441	5,759	5,687	147.1	88.9	1,208.5	61.0	472.0	131.6	285.2	3,087	3,504	3,487	
May .	2,331	3,358	5,689	5,738	150.4	28.8	1,117.4	61.2	461.9	119.2	289.9	3,150	3,559	3,517	
June .	2,302	3,396	5,698	5,791	150.4	25.1	1,071.8	74.0	456.5	115.2	296.7	3,186	3,598	3,542	
1968-69—															
July .	2,335	3,348	5,683	5,840	146.6	38.6	1,055.5	67.9	455.7	96.8	301.6	3,264	3,662	3,565	
August .	2,365	3,303	5,668	5,843	147.6	34.6	1,067.5	79.6	454.9	67.2	305.3	3,303	3,676	3,637	
September .	2,386	3,359	5,745	5,902	148.4	56.7	1,118.3	90.7	453.7	82.9	306.4	3,275	3,665	3,659	
October .	2,423	3,464	5,887	5,963	148.9	66.7	1,154.3	82.7	469.8	115.3	313.4	3,288	3,717	3,678	
November .	2,486	3,493	5,979	5,965	148.1	80.8	1,176.6	100.3	512.1	141.4	323.6	3,240	3,705	3,694	
December(g) .	2,506	3,604	6,110	6,018	175.4	60.6	1,204.2	99.9	535.4	154.4	333.7	3,230	3,718	3,731	
January .	2,561	3,700	6,261	6,104	167.2	158.4	1,349.9	106.2	547.6	134.6	345.1	3,207	3,687	3,756	
February .	2,594	3,755	6,349	6,148	154.3	206.0	1,437.8	97.0	560.1	135.8	351.4	3,146	3,633	3,763	
March .	2,611	3,768	6,379	6,183	149.0	194.6	1,443.5	99.3	569.4	145.6	353.7	3,177	3,677	3,783	
April .	2,634	3,722	6,356	6,278	152.6	100.5	1,380.0	80.2	573.5	141.4	356.1	3,322	3,820	3,802	
May .	2,662	3,604	6,266	6,318	148.4	56.5	1,298.5	78.4	572.5	135.5	360.7	3,405	3,901	3,855	
June .	2,653	3,624	6,277	6,379	149.4	47.5	1,240.6	77.9	565.9	148.8	365.8	3,438	3,952	3,893	
1969-70—															
July .	2,630	3,619	6,249	6,420	146.0	41.4	1,185.0	92.0	564.7	128.9	368.4	3,530	4,027	3,920	
August .	2,665	3,592	6,257	6,451	145.4	73.6	1,190.1	98.8	578.7	89.4	372.5	3,519	3,980	3,939	
September .	2,714	3,597	6,311	6,485	145.5	99.1	1,204.1	98.4	594.2	101.5	399.7	3,485	3,986	3,980	
October .	2,756	3,697	6,453	6,535	150.8	103.0	1,236.8	85.0	623.7	131.4	411.7	3,518	4,060	4,016	
November .	2,820	3,784	6,604	6,587	155.1	111.1	1,274.9	88.8	641.3	151.3	421.9	3,522	4,096	4,083	
December(g) .	2,828	3,931	6,759	6,656	172.7	87.8	1,321.2	125.9	656.5	162.7	433.2	3,544	4,140	4,154	
January .	2,837	3,923	6,760	6,588	165.8	155.0	1,341.7	87.8	672.0	142.0	437.6	3,599	4,179	4,257	
February .	2,868	4,002	6,870	6,656	157.6	250.7	1,335.3	98.2	675.9	145.3	450.7	3,555	4,151	4,298	
March .	2,888	4,075	6,964	6,751	153.5	262.8	1,344.1	130.9	684.2	149.9	460.4	3,550	4,160	4,283	
April .	2,940	3,952	6,891	6,807	169.7	135.8	1,287.5	77.7	694.5	147.3	473.0	3,768	4,388	4,368	
May .	2,941	3,785	6,726	6,783	160.3	78.6	1,225.2	95.7	691.0	141.7	477.8	3,757	4,376	4,324	

(a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd, The Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, The Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd, The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd, The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd, The National Bank of Australasia Ltd. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market.

(d) These advances represent temporary finance for the purchase of wool in Australia pending transfer to overseas or local principals.

(e) Loans made from Term Loan Fund Account. (f) Includes from June 1966, loans made from Farm Development Loan Fund Account.

(g) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(per cent)

Period	Liquid assets and Commonwealth Government Securities				Statutory reserve deposit account with Reserve Bank	Loans advances and bills discounted (c)	Deposits not bearing interest
	Cash and cash at Reserve Bank	Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other Commonwealth and State Government securities	Total			
Average of weekly figures							
1963-64	3.3	2.6	20.7	26.6	12.7	52.9	61.9
1964-65	3.1	2.4	20.0	25.5	15.0	52.0	58.0
1965-66	3.3	1.8	20.0	25.1	12.3	55.0	54.2
1966-67	2.9	1.6	22.3	26.8	9.1	56.7	54.0
1967-68	2.7	1.5	21.3	25.5	8.5	59.8	53.2
1968-69	2.5	1.5	20.5	24.5	8.6	61.4	52.3
1967-68—							
April	2.6	1.5	21.0	25.1	8.2	60.8	53.4
May	2.6	0.5	19.6	22.8	8.1	62.6	52.7
June	2.6	0.4	18.8	21.9	8.0	63.1	53.0
1968-69—							
July	2.6	0.7	18.5	21.8	8.0	64.5	52.4
August	2.6	0.6	18.8	22.0	8.0	64.8	51.7
September	2.6	1.0	19.5	23.0	7.9	63.8	51.8
October	2.5	1.1	19.6	23.3	8.0	63.1	52.3
November	2.5	1.4	19.7	23.5	8.6	62.0	52.0
December(d)	2.9	1.0	19.7	23.6	8.8	60.8	52.9
January	2.7	2.5	21.6	26.8	8.7	58.9	53.1
February	2.4	3.2	22.6	28.3	8.8	57.2	53.1
March	2.3	3.1	22.6	28.0	8.9	57.6	53.0
April	2.4	1.6	21.7	25.7	9.0	60.1	52.4
May	2.4	0.9	20.7	24.0	9.1	62.3	51.4
June	2.4	0.8	19.8	22.9	9.0	63.0	51.4
1969-70—							
July	2.3	0.7	18.9	21.9	9.0	64.4	51.4
August	2.3	1.2	19.0	22.5	9.2	63.6	51.1
September	2.3	1.6	19.1	23.0	9.4	63.2	50.8
October	2.3	1.6	19.2	23.1	9.7	62.9	51.2
November	2.3	1.6	19.3	23.3	9.7	62.0	51.5
December(d)	2.6	1.3	19.5	23.4	9.7	61.2	52.5
January	2.5	2.3	19.8	24.6	9.9	61.8	52.3
February	2.3	3.6	19.4	25.4	9.8	60.4	52.5
March	2.2	3.8	19.3	25.3	9.8	59.7	52.8
April	2.5	2.0	18.7	23.1	10.1	63.7	51.9
May	2.4	1.2	18.2	21.8	10.3	65.1	50.9

(a) See footnote (a) page 63. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea.
money market. (d) Excludes one Wednesday.

(c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

(\$ million)

New and increased lending commitments(b)				Overdraft limits(c)	
Weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of—	Aggregate	Term Loan component	Farm Development Loan Fund component	At second Wednesday of—	Total outstanding
1963-64(d)	22.5	1.7	..	July—	
1964-65(d)	21.7	1.4	..	1964	3,801.0
1965-66(d)	22.8	1.3	0.1	1965	3,932.2
1966-67(d)	31.3	2.5	0.5	1966	4,098.4
1967-68(d)	33.2	2.1	0.5	1967	4,512.9
1968-69(d)	35.2	3.6	0.6	1968	4,983.9
				1969	5,290.7
1967-68—				1967-68—	
April	38.5	2.0	0.5	April	4,854.8
May	35.9	2.1	0.4	May	4,892.4
June	34.9	2.9	0.5	June	4,939.8
1968-69—				1968-69—	
July	35.5	2.6	0.6	July	4,983.9
August	41.1	8.3	0.5	August	5,033.2
September	30.7	2.0	0.6	September	5,050.1
October	35.6	4.6	0.5	October	5,072.1
November	31.9	2.0	0.6	November	5,105.2
December	33.1	4.2	0.7	December	5,111.7
January	26.2	1.5	0.4	January	5,112.4
February	32.4	1.9	0.5	February	5,124.3
March	34.3	3.1	0.6	March	5,125.2
April	38.8	4.8	0.8	April	5,161.7
May	38.8	3.2	0.6	May	5,218.6
June	38.1	3.4	0.6	June	5,257.4
1969-70—				1969-70—	
July	42.0	5.5	0.6	July	5,295.2
August	36.4	2.1	0.7	August	5,317.5
September	44.6	11.7	0.5	September	5,328.4
October	33.5	4.1	0.5	October	5,351.2
November	33.4	1.8	0.4	November	5,371.5
December	50.0	7.9	0.4	December	5,435.6
January	42.5	11.2	0.2	January	5,450.5
February	38.6	4.8	0.3	February	5,464.0
March	36.8	2.8	0.3	March	5,486.2
April	35.1	2.9	0.4	April	5,537.3
May	37.6	3.1	0.4	May	5,574.4

(a) See footnote (a) page 63. (b) This series has been compiled from information supplied by the major trading banks as at second Wednesday of each month. The figures represent gross new lending commitments of banks and do not take account of cancellations and reductions of existing limits. Figures for cancellations and reductions of existing limits can be estimated from this series (after deducting term loan and farm development loan components and adjusting the weekly average to a monthly basis) in conjunction with that of overdraft limits. However, such estimates should be regarded as an approximation only, since there are unavoidable differences in the basis of compilation of the two series. (c) Excludes limits in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers, term loans and farm development loans. (d) Year ended second Wednesday of July.

ALL TRADING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory reserve deposit account with Reserve Bank	Loans (other than loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market), advances and bills discounted
	Fixed	Current		Total		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest							
Average of weekly figures										
1963-64	1,422.7	301.1	2,706.2	4,430.0	143.6	114.5	929.7	73.9	531.4	2,487.9
1964-65	1,784.7	328.6	2,838.7	4,951.9	151.7	121.0	1,017.7	85.1	701.6	2,732.0
1965-66	2,073.0	361.0	2,797.8	5,231.7	170.7	89.1	1,080.7	83.8	607.8	3,040.0
1966-67	2,226.9	381.1	2,970.0	5,578.0	161.7	89.3	1,284.4	98.5	476.1	3,319.2
1967-68	2,442.5	409.3	3,126.8	5,978.6	164.4	92.8	1,309.3	89.7	479.8	3,751.0
1968-69	2,706.0	449.8	3,334.3	6,490.2	162.9	99.3	1,376.6	107.5	522.9	4,158.9
1967-68—										
April	2,493.5	424.8	3,223.7	6,142.0	157.7	98.3	1,327.2	73.5	473.3	3,919.2
May	2,506.3	429.8	3,139.0	6,075.1	161.4	32.9	1,237.2	76.3	463.1	3,982.0
June	2,472.9	448.6	3,165.5	6,086.9	161.4	27.5	1,188.5	87.7	457.8	4,019.8
1968-69—										
July	2,513.9	440.8	3,120.9	6,075.6	157.3	39.6	1,170.2	90.2	456.9	4,081.9
August	2,545.8	439.0	3,073.8	6,058.6	158.3	35.7	1,182.2	98.5	456.2	4,099.8
September	2,564.7	453.1	3,120.9	6,138.7	159.2	58.0	1,233.0	109.6	455.0	4,093.6
October	2,604.4	456.8	3,230.5	6,291.6	160.2	68.3	1,273.0	105.4	471.1	4,146.8
November	2,674.5	456.8	3,261.4	6,392.7	160.1	83.7	1,304.3	120.9	513.4	4,138.2
December c	2,696.1	441.7	3,388.5	6,526.3	187.3	66.1	1,326.3	120.8	536.8	4,151.7
January	2,755.3	434.0	3,488.5	6,677.8	178.3	171.2	1,485.2	125.0	549.1	4,106.7
February	2,787.6	447.6	3,533.4	6,768.6	162.9	224.9	1,578.0	116.2	561.2	4,046.2
March	2,809.0	449.3	3,547.4	6,805.7	157.9	213.5	1,586.5	117.7	570.9	4,097.1
April	2,834.5	458.9	3,492.4	6,785.8	161.8	109.9	1,528.4	98.1	575.1	4,245.9
May	2,863.0	451.9	3,381.5	6,696.4	157.4	61.6	1,449.3	99.2	574.1	4,326.8
June	2,850.5	467.9	3,387.2	6,705.6	158.5	52.9	1,389.6	94.9	567.6	4,383.6
1969-70—										
July	2,830.5	479.2	3,368.3	6,678.0	155.0	46.1	1,326.2	112.2	566.3	4,464.1
August	2,872.0	463.3	3,351.5	6,686.8	154.3	78.7	1,333.0	120.9	580.3	4,419.1
September	2,923.3	460.1	3,360.4	6,743.9	154.4	104.4	1,346.7	121.0	595.8	4,429.9
October	2,972.0	461.3	3,463.1	6,896.3	159.8	106.8	1,379.7	110.1	625.3	4,511.7
November	3,039.1	453.0	3,561.0	7,053.1	164.9	114.8	1,411.8	114.3	642.9	4,559.0
December c	3,053.6	444.9	3,717.5	7,216.0	186.9	99.8	1,449.3	144.4	658.3	4,611.3
January	3,070.7	448.2	3,711.4	7,230.2	179.0	179.3	1,463.6	154.0	673.9	4,657.4
February	3,109.0	455.5	3,791.5	7,356.0	169.6	262.3	1,470.9	123.3	678.0	4,638.6
March	3,140.4	461.6	3,864.3	7,466.3	169.1	271.7	1,482.1	163.0	686.3	4,656.2
April	3,197.2	436.8	3,755.4	7,389.4	184.9	144.3	1,430.6	100.6	696.6	4,893.1
May	3,197.6	422.4	3,594.2	7,214.3	169.8	83.7	1,362.9	127.6	693.1	4,879.2

(a) Covers the Major Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd, Banque Nationale de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, State Bank of South Australia and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes one Wednesday.

ALL TRADING BANKS(a)

DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS

(Excluding debits to Australian Government Account at city branches in State capitals)

(\$ million)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
Average of weekly figures—									
1959-60	492.6	629.1	158.3	106.8	69.7	31.0	1.9	5.4	1,494.7
1960-61	644.9	565.9	163.8	116.0	75.7	32.5	2.0	6.7	1,607.5
1961-62	654.0	590.0	164.4	116.2	80.4	32.1	2.2	7.9	1,647.1
1962-63	713.1	650.5	185.1	131.6	88.2	35.1	2.5	10.2	1,816.4
1963-64	824.8	733.2	213.2	155.1	96.4	37.1	2.8	11.5	2,073.9
1964-65	935.2	825.3	232.9	170.4	106.3	41.3	3.4	14.5	2,329.3
1965-66	949.0	847.7	232.5	172.8	122.4	43.2	3.8	15.3	2,386.7
1966-67	1,080.2	940.0	256.9	184.4	138.6	47.3	4.5	17.0	2,668.9
1967-68	1,257.9	1,041.8	289.2	201.7	169.1	51.3	5.8	21.2	3,038.0
1968-69	1,526.2	1,214.1	325.3	224.2	209.0	55.9	7.4	50.4	3,612.6
1967-68—									
April	1,353.5	1,123.8	309.5	223.7	178.7	54.8	5.4	26.3	3,275.6
May	1,373.3	1,098.9	296.3	208.2	184.8	53.4	6.2	28.8	3,250.0
June	1,437.0	1,169.4	306.9	216.7	185.8	56.7	6.7	30.1	3,409.3
1968-69—									
July	1,530.6	1,226.0	337.3	219.9	190.7	59.3	7.3	29.3	3,600.5
August	1,329.5	1,094.9	283.8	201.1	177.0	49.0	6.6	28.1	3,169.9
September	1,423.7	1,170.5	315.1	210.3	177.9	50.2	6.6	28.2	3,382.5
October	1,448.4	1,162.1	324.0	212.7	202.7	52.1	6.8	30.1	3,438.9
November	1,523.3	1,234.2	324.8	229.9	204.8	54.9	7.0	32.8	3,611.6
December	1,651.3	1,353.0	360.8	241.9	224.9	64.5	7.9	37.8	3,942.1
January	1,384.1	1,041.9	295.6	211.2	217.0	45.9	6.3	29.8	3,231.7
February	1,720.6	1,238.9	331.7	240.9	228.4	57.3	7.4	48.3	3,873.6
March	1,563.2	1,250.0	326.4	238.6	220.4	60.0	8.0	66.0	3,732.7
April	1,537.5	1,264.6	334.4	236.2	216.9	59.0	7.9	86.2	3,742.7
May	1,632.6	1,300.5	327.8	225.3	229.0	60.9	8.8	91.8	3,876.7
June	1,620.2	1,273.0	344.5	227.2	220.7	59.5	8.9	102.9	3,857.0
1969-70—									
July	1,738.6	1,333.6	378.3	242.2	238.9	61.9	13.1	107.0	4,113.6
August	1,555.9	1,228.8	329.5	212.8	221.7	56.5	9.7	65.4	3,680.3
September	1,654.9	1,311.5	353.3	227.6	220.2	55.3	9.6	68.2	3,900.7
October	1,760.7	1,297.8	375.4	228.7	244.3	56.3	12.3	72.4	4,047.8
November	1,847.2	1,320.9	360.6	247.0	248.6	60.6	12.4	76.3	4,173.5
December	2,006.2	1,563.7	388.2	260.3	270.2	69.1	13.2	134.6	4,705.6
January	1,657.4	1,165.0	315.9	206.1	220.1	47.8	10.2	69.1	3,691.7
February	2,015.4	1,502.7	366.7	256.9	258.3	59.3	9.7	84.5	4,553.5
March	2,097.6	1,545.1	370.1	260.6	262.2	63.4	11.5	85.4	4,695.9
April	1,941.9	1,517.6	374.7	253.7	258.6	63.1	14.6	91.8	4,516.0
May	2,059.8	1,618.0	367.1	262.6	254.0	75.1	18.9	98.8	4,754.4

(a) Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 66 the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and Commonwealth Development Bank.

SAVINGS BANKS

DEPOSITORS' BALANCES

(\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
June 1960	1,083.1	999.2	365.2	332.0	157.2	92.7	5.2	10.8	(a)3,045.4	3,047.3
" 1961	1,138.3	1,034.9	374.2	333.5	161.4	94.8	5.5	12.3	(a)3,154.9	3,156.9
" 1962	1,250.0	1,141.7	411.7	362.0	181.0	102.5	6.2	14.7	(a)3,469.8	3,467.4
" 1963	1,408.0	1,298.1	470.4	416.1	208.8	112.8	7.0	18.5	(a)3,939.7	3,942.9
" 1964	1,583.2	1,479.0	542.3	475.8	239.8	124.8	8.1	23.3	(a)4,476.2	4,472.0
" 1965	1,719.6	1,620.4	593.0	519.3	261.7	135.7	9.2	27.6	(a)4,886.6	4,881.1
" 1966	1,827.8	1,746.0	637.7	558.9	292.9	148.4	10.6	31.6	(a)5,253.7	5,255.1
" 1967	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,758.4
" 1968	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,225.0
" 1969	2,282.4	2,244.3	819.0	691.8	413.0	190.0	17.4	49.1	(a)6,707.1	6,709.5
1967-68—										
April	2,066.4	2,026.2	730.7	626.9	362.2	175.1	13.7	42.2	6,043.4	6,149.3
May	2,090.7	2,052.3	740.0	629.0	366.8	176.2	13.9	42.9	(a)6,111.9	6,192.3
June	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,225.0
1968-69—										
July	2,143.7	2,104.9	766.6	646.8	378.2	179.8	15.2	44.8	6,280.0	6,260.2
August	2,162.3	2,129.8	775.5	651.1	386.1	182.9	15.9	45.4	6,349.1	6,296.3
September	2,174.4	2,140.0	781.9	651.0	392.1	183.5	16.3	46.0	6,385.1	6,335.5
October	2,194.8	2,159.3	787.5	655.1	398.6	183.9	16.8	46.4	6,442.4	6,375.5
November	2,203.3	2,182.7	791.7	659.0	400.0	184.7	16.8	46.7	6,484.8	6,417.6
December	2,194.5	2,170.6	789.4	658.0	397.2	183.5	16.4	46.6	6,456.3	6,454.1
January	2,214.5	2,183.8	787.6	663.0	401.5	184.1	16.1	47.3	6,497.9	6,502.1
February	2,227.8	2,200.9	791.9	670.5	404.5	186.5	16.1	48.2	6,546.5	6,550.2
March	2,221.1	2,189.4	789.0	670.9	403.5	186.8	16.1	47.6	6,524.5	6,583.5
April	2,229.9	2,189.3	791.1	671.4	404.4	187.3	16.4	47.9	6,537.8	6,642.6
May	2,245.0	2,206.1	799.1	674.0	404.9	187.9	16.7	48.8	(a)6,582.6	6,678.9
June	2,282.4	2,244.3	819.0	691.8	413.0	190.0	17.4	49.1	(a)6,707.1	6,709.5
1969-70—										
July	2,305.4	2,276.3	832.3	698.3	417.7	191.8	18.5	50.6	6,790.9	6,759.6
August	2,321.6	2,298.3	840.1	702.2	422.1	194.5	19.3	51.6	6,849.6	6,802.8
September	2,335.6	2,317.1	846.8	705.5	428.0	195.4	19.7	52.3	6,900.3	6,844.4
October	2,359.4	2,349.3	854.3	712.2	433.3	195.7	20.4	53.0	6,977.6	6,894.4
November	2,356.6	2,351.8	855.7	712.1	430.8	196.4	20.4	52.5	6,976.4	6,914.4
December	2,347.2	2,338.5	853.6	709.7	427.6	194.6	19.9	52.1	6,943.1	6,942.3
January	2,349.3	2,333.6	848.9	710.0	425.8	194.9	19.6	52.8	6,934.7	6,929.7
February	2,348.2	2,342.5	848.6	714.3	425.6	196.3	19.6	53.6	6,948.8	6,964.8
March	2,344.3	2,348.5	849.4	716.8	426.1	196.6	19.7	53.8	6,955.2	7,007.7
April	2,345.9	2,341.1	848.6	713.6	423.7	196.8	19.9	54.6	6,944.2	7,067.2
May	2,363.1	2,359.5	855.2	715.7	425.0	197.5	20.5	54.6	(a)6,991.0	7,091.4

(a) Interest added 1959-60 \$80.3m; 1960-61, \$89.4m; 1961-62, \$105.4m; 1962-63, \$116.7m; 1963-64, \$114.8m; 1964-65 \$139.8m; 1965-66, \$159.5m; 1966-67, \$173.0m; 1967-68, \$189.9m; 1968-69, \$204.4m. The major part of this interest was added in May and June.

SAVINGS BANKS
SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)
 (\$ million)

At end of—	Coin, bullion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Common- wealth Government securities(b)	Local and semi- govern- mental securities	Loans to authorised dealers in the short- term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted	
							Housing	Other(c)
June 1960	5.8	272.2	104.1	1,587.7	568.9	3.4	544.0	59.4
" 1961	8.7	277.1	89.1	1,578.7	622.8	15.3	612.5	66.7
" 1962	9.9	319.0	111.8	1,665.1	703.9	27.6	678.7	71.4
" 1963	9.5	366.2	119.0	1,827.2	835.5	39.0	793.9	80.7
" 1964	10.1	430.2	123.1	1,994.3	955.6	34.2	997.8	96.0
" 1965	10.8	430.3	117.5	2,066.1	1,092.3	28.8	1,185.2	131.7
" 1966	10.7	419.2	129.0	2,125.8	1,198.8	34.2	1,358.5	176.5
" 1967	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
" 1968	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
" 1969	16.6	536.0	152.7	2,300.6	1,651.7	31.2	1,961.5	301.9
1967-68—								
April	14.7	475.9	149.1	2,316.5	1,476.7	15.4	1,690.1	256.6
May	13.9	498.2	143.2	2,297.1	1,479.9	27.2	1,705.4	262.0
June	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
1968-69—								
July	13.5	536.4	160.2	2,236.6	1,501.4	28.4	1,767.4	269.0
August	13.6	555.1	167.3	2,249.9	1,516.6	41.6	1,779.4	273.0
September	14.7	558.4	175.8	2,264.7	1,530.0	29.0	1,795.1	277.9
October	12.8	578.9	176.3	2,276.8	1,548.8	32.2	1,813.3	280.8
November	14.9	594.1	171.1	2,286.5	1,570.7	32.6	1,826.2	287.7
December	16.0	575.7	164.4	2,264.6	1,584.9	19.3	1,845.6	293.8
January	14.4	592.2	171.9	2,281.3	1,598.4	30.2	1,852.2	294.9
February	15.9	590.4	171.0	2,298.1	1,612.0	42.7	1,862.3	297.6
March	16.2	585.1	161.1	2,286.9	1,627.8	29.1	1,880.2	300.5
April	14.9	575.3	180.0	2,277.9	1,638.6	26.4	1,899.2	300.9
May	15.4	565.4	166.8	2,291.1	1,642.6	27.6	1,911.3	302.7
June	16.6	536.0	152.7	2,300.6	1,651.7	31.2	1,961.5	301.9
1969-70—								
July	13.2	510.9	174.2	2,336.1	1,668.0	48.2	1,974.9	308.2
August	15.0	571.8	178.7	2,327.9	1,692.8	35.7	1,984.3	310.0
September	16.8	577.3	181.3	2,352.3	1,706.1	33.3	1,998.8	314.2
October	14.5	626.5	162.4	2,372.3	1,717.0	36.5	2,015.2	315.8
November	17.1	630.7	148.5	2,372.3	1,736.1	36.1	2,024.8	317.7
December	16.6	601.3	138.6	2,351.1	1,754.0	23.0	2,045.6	323.1
January	16.1	610.7	139.5	2,346.2	1,760.4	24.2	2,055.6	320.7
February	16.0	605.0	149.0	2,344.4	1,773.7	22.0	2,069.7	322.8
March	16.3	613.2	143.0	2,345.6	1,781.5	28.1	2,087.5	326.4
April	15.3	602.1	149.1	2,313.6	1,789.2	32.9	2,106.8	327.5
May	16.0	604.5	133.9	2,308.6	1,793.6	43.7	2,125.4	194.0

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island. (b) Includes Treasury bills and Treasury notes. (c) As from May 1970 excludes deposits with and loans to presented banks other than trading banks.

FINANCE COMPANIES

The following series of statistics cover the main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, including instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans (comprising personal loans, mortgage loans and advances), factoring, leasing and bills of exchange. Information on the scope of these statistics and the definition of items are included in the bulletin *Finance Companies, 1969* (Ref. No. 5.13), which in addition contains more detailed statistics. Supplementary classifications are also provided for the instalment credit for retail sales transactions of finance companies. Amount financed is classified by type of commodity and collections and other liquidations is divided between cash collections and other liquidations.

AMOUNT FINANCED BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Instalment credit for retail sales	Wholesale hire purchase	Other consumer and commercial loans				Factoring	Total
			Personal loans	Mortgage loans	Commercial loans			
					Repayable at call or within 90 days	Other		
Monthly average								
1964-65	53.9	40.2	5.3	18.6	22.0	12.9	7.4	160.3
1965-66	51.1	40.7	5.9	18.5	24.0	12.8	6.7	159.7
1966-67	57.4	59.9	8.0	23.4	26.9	10.6	5.7	191.8
1967-68	68.1	71.3	9.7	28.4	32.1	11.1	6.2	226.9
1968-69	76.9	78.5	10.4	37.1	43.5	15.4	6.3	268.0
Monthly total								
1968-69—								
April	75.8	78.2	10.1	38.0	40.7	12.7	5.8	261.2
May	86.6	89.4	11.6	42.1	35.8	19.7	6.5	291.7
June	77.9	87.0	11.6	50.4	30.3	16.3	6.2	279.8
1969-70—								
July	87.2	91.3	11.8	46.9	50.2	17.4	7.2	312.1
August	77.9	85.4	11.0	42.4	39.7	18.6	6.9	281.9
September	84.2	92.3	11.9	39.6	54.6	21.9	7.3	311.9
October	93.9	97.2	13.3	47.1	48.7	20.9	8.5	329.6
November	83.9	83.9	13.1	41.9	44.5	18.5	7.4	293.1
December	96.5	94.1	15.2	54.7	57.9	20.4	8.5	347.3
January	78.9	61.3	9.5	31.5	60.9	15.6	5.1	262.7
February	81.7	92.2	12.2	42.2	66.1	22.6	7.8	324.9
March	87.6	85.6	12.0	50.3	42.5	23.5	8.4	309.9
April	96.2	98.8	12.9	55.9	48.5	26.3	8.3	346.9

COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCES BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Monthly average									
1964-65	61.0	22.4	83.4	40.5	21.4	17.8	8.6	88.1	171.5
1965-66	64.8	24.0	88.9	39.6	22.7	18.2	8.0	88.4	177.2
1966-67	71.2	26.0	97.3	58.7	28.4	19.5	6.3	113.0	210.3
1967-68	76.1	28.5	104.6	69.6	30.2	21.8	6.9	128.7	233.3
1968-69	85.5	33.4	118.9	77.8	43.9	29.0	7.3	158.1	277.0
Monthly total									
1968-69—									
April	85.9	33.2	119.1	78.3	54.0	31.0	6.4	169.7	288.8
May	90.7	37.3	128.0	84.7	51.0	30.7	7.7	174.0	302.0
June	87.2	37.1	124.3	81.0	44.0	31.6	7.6	164.3	288.6
1969-70—									
July	96.3	42.1	138.4	89.9	36.0	35.1	8.2	169.2	307.6
August	85.3	37.2	122.5	82.7	36.2	32.7	8.1	159.7	282.2
September	93.2	41.8	135.0	88.2	47.8	31.7	8.7	176.4	311.4
October	99.2	42.0	141.2	94.3	35.1	34.0	9.1	172.5	313.7
November	87.1	38.2	125.3	82.2	38.7	27.2	8.5	156.7	282.0
December	98.9	44.0	142.9	93.9	63.8	45.3	9.5	212.6	355.4
January	90.7	35.4	126.1	78.1	50.4	29.5	7.6	165.6	291.7
February	94.8	47.0	141.9	82.8	46.9	34.4	7.1	171.2	313.0
March	103.8	39.4	142.7	81.3	59.6	38.8	7.6	187.3	330.0
April	105.5	40.4	145.9	96.6	65.1	39.2	9.3	210.2	356.1

FINANCE COMPANIES

BALANCES OUTSTANDING BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

At end of—	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts (#)
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Australia									
Year—									
1964-65	977.5	477.8	1,455.3	64.1	40.4	233.8	25.6	364.0	1,819.2
1965-66	990.1	488.1	1,478.2	78.4	65.1	266.6	21.8	431.9	1,910.1
1966-67	1,087.5	548.0	1,635.5	100.8	49.3	300.9	21.7	472.7	2,108.1
1967-68	1,222.5	636.3	1,858.9	127.5	69.9	360.9	23.6	581.9	2,440.8
1968-69	1,381.8	737.8	2,119.7	145.2	60.5	455.7	22.6	684.1	2,803.8
Month—									
1968-69—									
April	1,348.6	713.4	2,062.0	132.7	90.8	427.7	22.6	673.8	2,735.8
May	1,369.3	725.4	2,094.6	138.4	75.1	440.0	22.5	676.0	2,770.6
June	1,381.8	737.8	2,119.7	145.2	60.5	455.7	22.6	684.1	2,803.8
1969-70—									
July	1,399.7	750.3	2,149.9	147.6	75.2	464.4	23.1	710.2	2,860.1
August	1,413.0	757.0	2,170.0	151.0	77.8	476.6	23.1	728.5	2,898.5
September	1,427.3	762.0	2,189.4	156.9	83.5	490.5	23.3	754.2	2,943.5
October	1,448.7	773.1	2,221.9	161.0	96.5	504.9	24.4	786.7	3,008.6
November	1,466.7	783.7	2,250.3	163.6	103.5	525.4	25.4	818.0	3,068.3
December	1,489.8	797.4	2,287.2	165.0	102.4	535.9	25.8	829.0	3,116.3
January	1,502.5	802.1	2,304.6	149.9	112.9	541.8	23.9	828.6	3,133.3
February	1,516.3	811.8	2,328.1	160.5	132.9	546.3	25.9	865.6	3,193.7
March	1,525.2	813.7	2,339.0	165.6	116.7	573.8	28.1	884.1	3,223.1
April	1,545.1	827.0	2,372.1	169.5	99.0	599.2	29.0	896.7	3,268.8

States—at end of APRIL 1970

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	615.2	358.7	973.9	66.9	50.8	312.3	13.1	443.1	1,417.0
Victoria	386.2	149.3	535.5	36.4	(b)	167.4	14.0	217.7	753.2
Queensland	220.0	123.2	343.2	27.7	(b)	49.2	(b)	77.0	420.2
South Australia and Northern Territory	142.4	96.8	239.2	17.9	(b)	53.3	(b)	71.2	310.3
Western Australia	137.4	97.3	234.7	16.5	(b)	65.7	(b)	82.2	316.9
Tasmania	44.0	1.6	45.6	4.2	(b)	1.4	(b)	5.6	51.2
Australia	1,545.1	827.0	2,372.1	169.5	(c)99.0	(c)599.2	(c)29.0	896.7	3,268.8

(a) Amounts shown in this column are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding. Movement in this series may be affected, however, by changes in the proportions of the two components of the series to the total. (b) Not available separately; included in other commercial loans. (c) Components may not add to totals.

FINANCE COMPANIES

BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AND PLANT ON LEASE (\$ million)

Period	Initial capital cost of goods newly leased during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Australia		
Year—		
1966-67(a)	77.6	128.6
1967-68	125.3	190.4
1968-69	148.7	253.6
Month—		
1968-69—		
April	13.5	241.0
May	15.9	247.8
June	13.4	253.6
1969-70—		
July	16.5	257.8
August	14.1	263.9
September	15.3	271.3
October	16.0	280.5
November	16.9	287.1
December	18.5	296.2
January	14.3	301.4
February	16.7	309.6
March	18.8	316.8
April	21.3	328.7
States—April 1970		
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	8.4	128.8
Victoria	5.0	84.0
Queensland	3.8	58.3
South Australia and Northern Territory	1.7	26.6
Western Australia	1.9	24.9
Tasmania	0.4	6.0
Australia	21.3	328.7

(a) Balance outstanding at 30 June 1965 amounted to \$70.4 million, and at 30 June 1966 to \$89.4 million. The value of initial capital cost of goods newly leased is available only from June 1966.

TRANSACTIONS IN BILLS OF EXCHANGE (\$ million)

Period	Amounts paid for bills acquired during period	Amounts received for bills disposed of during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Year—			
1966-67(a)	38.7	36.9	4.3
1967-68	111.1	99.1	16.6
1968-69	117.2	118.5	16.4
Month—			
1968-69—			
April	8.9	4.5	21.6
May	7.3	7.5	21.4
June	5.2	10.4	16.4
1969-70—			
July	8.8	10.1	15.0
August	8.8	9.0	14.8
September	18.4	7.6	25.8
October	12.4	9.2	29.1
November	17.4	11.6	35.0
December	17.3	16.2	36.2
January	12.2	17.0	31.5
February	16.0	14.9	32.7
March	11.7	10.5	34.0
April	9.4	13.0	30.4

(a) Details prior to June 1966 are not available.

FINANCE COMPANIES

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES, AMOUNT FINANCED, CASH COLLECTIONS
AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period					Collections and other liquidations during period			Balances outstanding at end of period
	New motors	Used motors	Household and personal goods	Plant and machinery	Total	Cash collections	Other liquidations	Total	
Australia									
Year—									
1964—65	266.5	270.4	71.4	39.1	647.3	698.1	33.9	732.0	977.5
1965—66	249.3	250.1	70.2	43.0	612.7	747.0	32.0	778.9	990.1
1966—67	254.9	262.1	120.9	51.3	689.2	823.4	31.5	854.9	1,087.5
1967—68	318.4	302.2	137.0	59.0	816.6	883.6	29.9	913.6	1,222.5
1968—69	352.7	350.2	142.6	77.9	923.3	988.6	37.9	1,026.4	1,381.8
Month—									
1968—69—									
March	31.7	30.0	10.2	6.1	77.9	90.8	3.3	94.1	1,337.1
April	30.1	28.5	11.4	5.8	75.8	82.7	3.2	85.9	1,348.6
May	34.7	32.4	12.7	6.8	86.6	87.3	3.4	90.7	1,369.3
June	31.2	29.4	11.3	6.1	77.9	82.9	4.3	87.2	1,381.8
1969—70—									
July	33.6	34.7	11.8	7.2	87.2	92.2	4.1	96.3	1,399.7
August	30.6	32.1	10.0	5.2	77.9	81.3	3.9	85.3	1,413.0
September	35.2	31.9	11.6	5.5	84.2	88.9	4.3	93.2	1,427.3
October	35.5	35.9	14.6	7.9	93.9	95.2	4.0	99.2	1,448.7
November	31.6	31.5	13.8	7.0	83.9	83.0	4.2	87.1	1,466.7
December	36.2	36.5	15.8	8.0	96.5	94.9	4.0	98.9	1,489.8
January	29.7	34.9	8.5	5.8	78.9	87.2	3.5	90.7	1,502.5
February	31.1	34.5	10.4	5.8	81.7	90.9	3.9	94.8	1,516.3
March	34.5	35.0	10.7	7.5	87.6	98.6	4.7	103.3	1,525.2
States—March 1970									
New South Wales and Aus- tralian Capital Territory . .	14.5	11.8	6.5	2.4	35.2	39.7	2.0	41.7	606.9
Victoria	9.5	8.9	2.1	1.2	21.7	23.6	0.7	24.3	380.7
Queensland	3.8	5.4	1.1	1.4	11.8	13.5	1.2	14.7	218.5
South Australia and Northern Territory	3.4	4.3	0.5	0.5	8.6	9.5	0.4	9.9	140.7
Western Australia	2.7	3.6	0.3	1.7	8.3	9.3	0.3	9.7	134.6
Tasmania	0.7	1.0	0.2	0.3	2.1	2.9	0.1	2.9	43.9
Australia	34.5	35.0	10.7	7.5	87.6	98.6	4.7	103.3	1,525.2

States—March 1970									
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	14.5	11.8	6.5	2.4	35.2	39.7	2.0	41.7	606.9
Victoria	9.5	8.9	2.1	1.2	21.7	23.6	0.7	24.3	380.7
Queensland	3.8	5.4	1.1	1.4	11.8	13.5	1.2	14.7	218.5
South Australia and Northern Territory	3.4	4.3	0.5	0.5	8.6	9.5	0.4	9.9	140.7
Western Australia	2.7	3.6	0.3	1.7	8.3	9.3	0.3	9.7	134.6
Tasmania	0.7	1.0	0.2	0.3	2.1	2.9	0.1	2.9	43.9
Australia	34.5	35.0	10.7	7.5	87.6	98.6	4.7	103.3	1,525.2

OPERATIONS OF PERMANENT BUILDING SOCIETIES

(\$'000)

Period	Loans approved during month(a)				Loans advanced during month(d)	Loans approved but not advanced at end of month(e)	Principal owing on mortgages at end of month	Paid-up share-capital at end of month	Borrowings by societies—amount owing at end of month(f)
	Dwellings NOT previously occupied(b)	Dwellings previously occupied	Other(c)	Total					
AUSTRALIA									
1969—May(g)	15,089	13,201	512	28,802	28,416	r73,313	687,448	533,555	r215,842
June	13,694	11,710	520	25,924	25,447	r72,374	706,221	552,229	r222,004
July	17,532	14,706	458	32,696	29,523	r74,399	728,684	580,132	r226,110
Aug.	17,496	18,216	510	36,222	28,742	r80,165	750,589	r603,923	r233,678
Sept.	17,832	18,335	404	36,571	r31,487	r84,127	r775,170	r628,925	r237,496
Oct.	22,244	21,885	1,631	45,760	36,817	r91,222	805,010	656,074	r242,494
Nov.	18,480	r20,811	1,166	r40,457	32,938	r96,503	831,729	675,122	r240,472
Dec.	19,810	r19,534	3,494	r42,838	41,454	r95,467	863,786	704,895	r251,587
1970—Jan.	13,335	r14,648	577	r28,560	r28,448	r93,903	r886,608	731,810	r249,487
Feb.	r16,149	r17,009	482	r33,638	r32,698	r93,346	r912,705	747,140	r253,601
March	r15,864	r13,683	384	r29,931	r31,104	r90,822	r936,165	r759,717	r257,597
April	11,705	11,069	487	23,261	28,729	83,163	956,446	766,064	259,406

STATES—APRIL 1970

N.S.W.	6,784	6,411	143	13,338	14,126	48,075	485,776	479,912	59,040
Vic.	1,503	1,640	107	3,251	2,795	8,934	104,514	26,488	70,695
Qld.	837	1,003	27	1,867	2,676	4,602	97,111	96,287	8,322
S.A.	405	495	8	908	1,009	1,964	35,603	21,591	16,448
W.A.	1,708	974	192	2,874	6,439	16,805	187,225	122,726	76,779
Tas.	204	501	10	714	1,023	1,497	32,887	15,354	18,321
A.C.T.	263	45	..	308	660	1,287	13,329	3,706	9,799
Total	11,705	11,069	487	23,261	28,729	83,163	956,446	766,064	259,406

(a) Includes loans approved for flats and home units, supplementary loans approved to complete the original purchase or construction and second mortgage loans approved. (b) Includes dwellings previously occupied (for the first time) under licence from seller while finance was being arranged and loans approved for alterations and additions, estimated to cost \$10,000 or more, to existing dwellings. (c) Includes loans approved to religious and educational bodies for institutional housing and loans approved for alterations and additions, estimated to cost less than \$10,000, to existing dwellings. (d) Includes capitalised mortgage insurance premiums and other capitalised charges. (e) Excludes cancellations of loan approvals. (f) Includes deposits with societies, advances under Commonwealth and State Housing Agreements and, in A.C.T., advances from Department of the Interior funds. Excludes unsecured borrowings from banks. (g) Figures not collected for earlier periods.

LOANS ADVANCED DURING MONTH(a)—STATES (\$'000)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total
1969—May(b)	13,681	2,486	2,429	724	7,873	755	467	28,416
June	10,975	2,673	2,676	871	7,366	602	283	25,447
July	14,024	2,946	3,079	994	7,632	566	282	29,523
August	12,578	2,777	3,227	796	8,136	923	306	28,742
September	13,831	r2,810	3,477	1,030	9,189	773	376	r31,487
October	16,195	3,406	4,027	1,133	10,560	1,047	449	36,817
November	15,018	3,249	3,350	1,122	8,893	900	405	32,938
December	19,120	3,891	4,838	1,454	10,322	1,343	485	41,454
1970—January	r12,550	2,354	3,239	1,083	8,309	487	426	r28,448
February	r15,354	3,001	4,052	1,222	7,622	850	597	r32,698
March	16,466	r3,404	r3,423	1,091	5,113	853	754	r31,104
April	14,126	2,795	2,676	1,009	6,439	1,023	660	28,729

(a) Includes capitalised mortgage insurance premiums and other capitalised charges. (b) Figures not collected for earlier periods.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS

Period	New policies issued (excluding annuities)(a)						Premiums(b)			Claims, etc., paid(c)			New loans paid over (d)
	Ordinary business		Industrial business		Superannuation business		Ordinary	Industrial	Super-annuation	Ordinary	Industrial	Super-annuation	
	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured							
	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Monthly average													
1964-65 (e)	28.9	125.9	10.6	9.7	6.8	67.9	20.7	2.8	8.4	9.0	2.1	3.8	14.8
1965-66 (e)	29.0	137.6	10.9	10.4	7.8	75.5	22.5	3.0	10.0	10.0	2.4	4.2	15.5
1966-67 (e)	32.0	160.4	11.2	11.3	7.9	82.7	25.0	3.2	11.3	11.7	2.1	5.0	13.6
1967-68 (e)	33.2	191.7	11.4	12.1	7.3	95.8	28.2	3.1	13.5	13.0	1.7	5.9	16.2
1968-69 (e)	36.3	234.0	11.4	13.0	7.7	115.7	32.3	3.4	14.7	14.0	1.8	6.3	18.7
1969-70—(f)													
July	49.2	317.1	11.6	13.7	8.4	115.2	44.9	3.3	17.8	18.6	2.1	8.0	25.4
August	41.2	263.7	11.6	13.9	7.7	110.4	32.8	3.8	14.6	16.0	1.9	7.2	17.0
September	46.2	293.7	17.1	20.4	8.6	178.2	35.8	3.4	19.3	17.5	2.1	8.9	26.1
October	40.0	267.4	10.3	12.5	7.7	132.2	32.9	3.3	16.1	17.9	2.3	6.9	21.8
November	37.5	256.9	12.1	15.5	7.6	134.5	31.8	3.4	14.4	14.9	1.9	7.4	17.4
December	44.7	347.7	9.2	12.3	6.5	432.7	38.3	5.4	19.2	17.4	1.7	10.5	24.8
January	24.2	175.5	3.7	4.7	4.8	66.2	29.0	1.3	13.6	12.9	1.2	6.8	15.2
February	30.8	224.4	10.6	12.8	4.9	94.8	30.5	3.2	16.9	15.5	1.8	7.9	15.8

(a) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written.
 (b) Includes consideration for annuities. (c) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (d) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (e) Prior to July 1969 excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. (f) From July 1969 includes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office. New policies issued and new loans paid over exclude from July 1969 Papua and New Guinea business.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

SELECTED ASSETS HELD IN AUSTRALIA(b) BY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES

(\$ million)

At end of—	Fixed assets	Loans(c)				Investments			
		On mortgage		On policies	Other	Govt. securities	Local and Semi-govt. securities	Debentures and notes	Shares
		Housing	Other incl. rural						
June 1962(d)	159.8	306.6	452.0	87.8	52.2	523.2	242.2	220.8	241.0
June 1963(d)	192.4	317.0	466.6	96.0	45.2	621.6	249.8	240.0	293.0
June 1964(d)	233.0	323.3	500.7	103.9	40.1	689.1	266.4	284.9	351.1
June 1965(d)	284.8	338.5	537.0	113.6	42.8	757.3	268.2	328.0	414.9
June 1966(d)	354.2	355.6	586.6	129.5	40.7	845.9	276.2	353.8	453.9
June 1967(d)	404.4	365.8	615.1	142.2	40.8	988.7	287.3	385.0	509.1
June 1968(d)	460.3	378.2	665.3	157.8	48.1	1,110.8	312.5	425.2	576.9
September 1968(d)	475.9	381.5	680.7	161.9	53.6	1,147.6	319.0	438.7	605.3
December 1968(d)	502.8	387.9	693.9	166.7	49.2	1,146.3	350.1	455.5	629.0
March 1969(d)	521.1	391.9	702.0	171.8	55.8	1,157.5	368.4	470.8	672.0
June 1969(d)	546.5	398.0	711.8	178.2	51.0	1,162.2	387.2	483.1	710.7
September 1969	592.8	404.6	755.0	191.7	53.9	1,199.0	425.5	524.0	752.5
December 1969	629.8	413.7	769.7	196.2	51.0	1,212.9	444.2	539.9	782.2

(a) Items shown are the balances according to the companies ledgers as at the date at which the information was supplied without adjustment for any accrued or outstanding interest or other items which had not been brought into account as at that date. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (d) Prior to September 1969 excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office.

SHORT TERM MONEY MARKET

SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AUTHORISED DEALERS AND RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

Month	Liabilities to clients			Selected assets					Interest rates on loans accepted during month				Weighted average interest rate on loans outstanding (b)	
	All cheque-paying banks	Other clients	Total	Commonwealth Government securities (face value)			Commercial bills (a)	Trading Banks' Certificates of Deposit	At call		For fixed periods			
				Treasury notes	Other	Total			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.		
Average of weekly figures—\$ million									Per cent per annum					
June 1963	58.0	209.1	267.1	53.6	233.3	286.8	..	..	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75	
June 1964	67.3	253.6	320.8	38.2	303.0	341.2	..	..	1.50	4.50	3.38	4.50	3.71	
June 1965	93.7	219.0	312.7	8.4	335.0	343.4	7.6	..	1.50	6.00	2.00	5.53	4.16	
June 1966	74.8	275.4	350.2	10.7	362.6	373.3	25.2	..	3.00	6.10	4.25	5.80	4.73	
June 1967	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	..	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46	
June 1968	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	..	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29	
1968-69—														
October	105.4	422.0	527.4	132.2	413.8	546.1	19.9	..	0.50	6.25	2.00	6.00	4.18	
November	120.9	424.0	544.9	139.8	400.1	539.9	24.6	..	1.00	7.00	2.50	5.25	3.83	
December(c)	120.8	416.7	537.5	132.1	412.2	544.3	23.0	..	1.00	6.25	3.25	6.00	4.18	
January	125.0	408.5	533.5	142.0	390.6	532.5	20.2	..	2.00	6.25	3.00	6.00	3.94	
February	116.2	436.3	552.5	170.2	387.0	557.2	17.8	..	1.50	7.00	3.00	6.50	4.07	
March	117.7	447.7	565.4	181.0	399.1	580.2	17.0	5.4	1.00	7.00	2.50	6.00	4.52	
April	98.1	440.3	538.4	138.2	409.2	547.4	19.4	12.5	2.00	7.50	2.75	5.75	4.48	
May	99.2	429.5	528.7	76.4	443.7	520.1	24.4	11.7	2.00	6.75	4.00	6.00	4.49	
June	94.9	398.7	493.6	46.4	459.2	505.6	28.9	15.0	2.00	7.50	4.00	6.75	4.59	
1969-70—														
July	112.2	406.4	518.6	47.4	448.8	496.2	49.7	8.3	2.50	8.00	3.80	6.10	4.58	
August	121.0	393.7	514.7	71.8	418.4	490.2	50.0	4.1	2.00	7.75	3.75	7.00	4.40	
September	121.0	413.3	534.3	73.4	453.5	526.9	42.2	3.4	3.00	7.50	3.50	6.10	4.54	
October	110.1	434.2	544.3	66.5	467.1	533.6	36.6	2.1	2.00	7.30	4.25	6.75	4.65	
November	114.3	439.9	554.2	64.8	473.1	537.8	31.8	3.5	2.00	7.50	3.75	6.00	4.33	
December(c)	144.4	426.0	570.4	76.6	482.2	558.8	32.5	5.5	2.00	7.75	3.00	7.00	4.40	
January	113.0	428.2	541.2	63.0	469.1	532.1	32.7	5.5	1.00	8.00	3.00	6.25	4.63	
February	123.3	457.2	580.5	87.0	484.3	571.3	32.8	3.5	1.00	8.25	3.00	7.50	4.44	
March	163.0	463.2	626.2	85.3	522.5	607.8	38.6	3.9	1.00	8.75	2.75	8.00	4.45	
April	100.6	444.3	544.9	27.7	517.1	544.8	41.7	4.4	3.00	8.30	4.30	7.80	5.12	

(a) Since 22 March 1965, authorised dealers have been permitted to hold, in addition to Commonwealth Government securities, a limited proportion of their portfolios in specified bills of exchange. (b) As at last Wednesday. (c) Excludes one Wednesday.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period	Official reserve and other foreign assets (a)	Exchange rates(b)			Gold prices(b)		Commonwealth Government securities yield(c)			Private first mortgages registered in New South Wales (f)
		Australia on London (d)	London on New York (d)	Australia on New York (e)	Australia	London	Theo-retical 2 years	Theo-retical 10 years	Theo-retical 20 years	
	\$m	\$A per £stg	\$US per £stg	\$US per \$A	\$A per fine oz.	£stg per fine oz.	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent (g)
1962-63	1,313.1	2.505	2.802	1.115	31.25	12.526	4.21	4.66	4.90	8.9
1963-64	1,762.8	2.505	2.798	1.114	31.25	12.534	3.92	4.36	4.57	8.7
1964-65	1,467.3	2.505	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.583	4.66	4.88	5.09	8.7
1965-66	1,526.5	2.505	2.786	1.113	31.25	12.561	4.98	5.15	5.25	8.8
1966-67	1,376.7	2.505	2.793	1.111	31.25	12.598	4.68	5.08	5.25	9.1
1967-68	1,345.4	2.290	2.553	1.112	31.25	(h) 36.38	4.72	5.07	5.25	9.2
1968-69	1,513.7	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	41.22	4.81	5.04	5.16	9.2
1967-68—										(i)
April	1,292.0	2.147	2.402	1.115	31.25	(h) 37.86	4.87	5.12	5.25	9.3
May	1,346.3	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	40.70	4.85	5.11	5.25	9.2
June	1,345.4	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
1968-69—										
July	1,330.6	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	39.47	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
August	1,300.9	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	39.19	4.83	5.11	5.25	9.2
September	1,309.3	2.147	2.388	1.108	31.25	40.19	4.83	5.12	5.25	9.1
October	1,348.2	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	39.21	4.82	5.13	5.25	9.1
November	1,402.5	2.147	2.387	1.109	31.25	39.78	4.72	4.89	5.02	9.2
December	1,374.8	2.147	2.384	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.68	4.91	5.03	9.3
January	1,422.5	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	42.30	4.70	4.92	5.04	9.3
February	1,516.3	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	42.60	4.75	4.92	5.04	9.2
March	1,503.5	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	43.16	4.78	4.93	5.04	9.3
April	1,548.9	2.147	2.392	1.111	31.25	43.26	4.90	4.96	5.07	9.2
May	1,571.9	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	43.46	4.91	5.10	5.14	9.3
June	1,513.7	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	41.44	5.01	5.35	5.48	9.3
1969-70—										
July	1,453.5	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	41.76	5.05	5.53	5.56	9.3
August	1,385.7	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.10	5.07	5.55	5.63	9.2
September	1,329.0	2.147	2.383	1.107	31.25	40.88	5.27	5.59	5.66	9.3
October	1,359.3	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	40.46	5.21	5.63	5.66	9.5
November	1,360.0	2.147	2.397	1.113	31.25	37.41	5.27	5.66	5.67	9.6
December	1,291.4	2.147	2.397	1.113	31.25	35.17	5.30	5.64	5.72	9.6
January	1,381.8	2.147	2.401	1.114	31.25	34.94	5.41	5.65	5.72	9.6
February	1,389.5	2.147	2.450	1.116	31.25	34.99	5.45	5.67	5.70	9.7
March	1,383.4	2.147	2.406	1.117	31.25	35.09	5.85	6.00	6.20	9.8
April	(j) 1,471.9	2.147	2.406	1.117	31.25	35.62	6.45	6.52	6.20	9.8
May		2.147	2.404	1.116	31.25	35.95	6.45	6.55	6.60	

(a) Revised series. Source: Reserve Bank, Gold and net foreign assets, official and banking institutions. See page 205, Reserve Bank of Australia Statistical Bulletin, February 1970, for a description of this series. All figures as at end of period. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are given in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$US. (i) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (j) Official reserve assets \$1,342.8 million, other foreign assets \$129.1 million.

SHORT TERM MONEY MARKET

SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AUTHORISED DEALERS AND RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

Month	Liabilities to clients			Selected assets					Interest rates on loans accepted during month				Weighted average interest rate on loans outstanding (b)	
	All cheque-paying banks	Other clients	Total	Commonwealth Government securities (face value)			Commercial bills (a)	Trading Banks' Certificates of Deposit	At call		For fixed periods			
				Treasury notes	Other	Total			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.		
Average of weekly figures—\$ million									Per cent per annum					
June 1963	58.0	209.1	267.1	53.6	233.3	286.8	..	..	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75	
June 1964	67.3	253.6	320.8	38.2	303.0	341.2	..	..	1.50	4.50	3.38	4.50	3.71	
June 1965	93.7	219.0	312.7	8.4	335.0	343.4	7.6	..	1.50	6.00	2.00	5.53	4.16	
June 1966	74.8	275.4	350.2	10.7	362.6	373.3	25.2	..	3.00	6.10	4.25	5.80	4.73	
June 1967	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	..	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46	
June 1968	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	..	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29	
1968-69—														
October	105.4	422.0	527.4	132.2	413.8	546.1	19.9	..	0.50	6.25	2.00	6.00	4.18	
November	120.9	424.0	544.9	139.8	400.1	539.9	24.6	..	1.00	7.00	2.50	5.25	3.83	
December(c)	120.8	416.7	537.5	132.1	412.2	544.3	23.0	..	1.00	6.25	3.25	6.00	4.18	
January	125.0	408.5	533.5	142.0	390.6	532.5	20.2	..	2.00	6.25	3.00	6.00	3.94	
February	116.2	436.3	552.5	170.2	387.0	557.2	17.8	..	1.50	7.00	3.00	6.50	4.07	
March	117.7	447.7	565.4	181.0	399.1	580.2	17.0	5.4	1.00	7.00	2.50	6.00	4.52	
April	98.1	440.3	538.4	138.2	409.2	547.4	19.4	12.5	2.00	7.50	2.75	5.75	4.48	
May	99.2	429.5	528.7	76.4	443.7	520.1	24.4	11.7	2.00	6.75	4.00	6.00	4.49	
June	94.9	398.7	493.6	46.4	459.2	505.6	28.9	15.0	2.00	7.50	4.00	6.75	4.59	
1969-70—														
July	112.2	406.4	518.6	47.4	448.8	496.2	49.7	8.3	2.50	8.00	3.80	6.10	4.58	
August	121.0	393.7	514.7	71.8	418.4	490.2	50.0	4.1	2.00	7.75	3.75	7.00	4.40	
September	121.0	413.3	534.3	73.4	453.5	526.9	42.2	3.4	3.00	7.50	3.50	6.10	4.54	
October	110.1	434.2	544.3	66.5	467.1	533.6	36.6	2.1	2.00	7.30	4.25	6.75	4.65	
November	114.3	439.9	554.2	64.8	473.1	537.8	31.8	3.5	2.00	7.50	3.75	6.00	4.33	
December(c)	144.4	426.0	570.4	76.6	482.2	558.8	32.5	5.5	2.00	7.75	3.00	7.00	4.40	
January	113.0	428.2	541.2	63.0	469.1	532.1	32.7	5.5	1.00	8.00	3.00	6.25	4.63	
February	123.3	457.2	580.5	87.0	484.3	571.3	32.8	3.5	1.00	8.25	3.00	7.50	4.44	
March	163.0	463.2	626.2	85.3	522.5	607.8	38.6	3.9	1.00	8.75	2.75	8.00	4.45	
April	100.6	444.3	544.9	27.7	517.1	544.8	41.7	4.4	3.00	8.30	4.30	7.80	5.12	

(a) Since 22 March 1965, authorised dealers have been permitted to hold, in addition to Commonwealth Government securities, a limited proportion of their portfolios in specified bills of exchange. (b) As at last Wednesday. (c) Excludes one Wednesday.

(a) Items shown are the balances according to the companies lodged at the date at which the information was supplied without adjustment for any accrued or outstanding interest or other items which had not been brought into account as at that date. (b) Includes 'Advance of Premiums'. (c) Excludes 'Advance of Premiums'. (d) From 1 September 1968 excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period	Official reserve and other foreign assets (a)	Exchange rates(b)			Gold prices(b)		Commonwealth Government securities yield(c)			Private first mortgages registered in New South Wales (f)
		Australia on London (d)	London on New York (d)	Australia on New York (e)	Australia	London	Theo-retical 2 years	Theo-retical 10 years	Theo-retical 20 years	
	\$m	\$A per £stg	\$US per £stg	\$US per \$A	\$A per fine oz.	£stg per fine oz.	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent (g)
1962-63	1,313.1	2.505	2.802	1.115	31.25	12.526	4.21	4.66	4.90	8.9
1963-64	1,762.8	2.505	2.798	1.114	31.25	12.534	3.92	4.36	4.57	8.7
1964-65	1,467.3	2.505	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.583	4.66	4.88	5.09	8.7
1965-66	1,526.5	2.505	2.786	1.113	31.25	12.561	4.98	5.15	5.25	8.8
1966-67	1,376.7	2.505	2.793	1.111	31.25	12.598	4.68	5.08	5.25	9.1
1967-68	1,345.4	2.290	2.553	1.112	31.25	(h) 36.38	4.72	5.07	5.25	9.2
1968-69	1,513.7	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	41.22	4.81	5.04	5.16	9.2
1967-68—										(i)
April	1,292.0	2.147	2.402	1.115	31.25	(h) 37.86	4.87	5.12	5.25	9.3
May	1,346.3	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	40.70	4.85	5.11	5.25	9.2
June	1,345.4	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
1968-69—										
July	1,330.6	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	39.47	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
August	1,300.9	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	39.19	4.83	5.11	5.25	9.2
September	1,309.3	2.147	2.388	1.108	31.25	40.19	4.83	5.12	5.25	9.1
October	1,348.2	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	39.21	4.82	5.13	5.25	9.1
November	1,402.5	2.147	2.387	1.109	31.25	39.78	4.72	4.89	5.02	9.2
December	1,374.8	2.147	2.384	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.68	4.91	5.03	9.3
January	1,422.5	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	42.30	4.70	4.92	5.04	9.3
February	1,516.3	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	42.60	4.75	4.92	5.04	9.2
March	1,503.5	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	43.16	4.78	4.93	5.04	9.3
April	1,548.9	2.147	2.392	1.111	31.25	43.26	4.90	4.96	5.07	9.2
May	1,571.9	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	43.46	4.91	5.10	5.14	9.3
June	1,513.7	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	41.44	5.01	5.35	5.48	9.3
1969-70—										
July	1,453.5	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	41.76	5.05	5.53	5.56	9.3
August	1,385.7	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.10	5.07	5.55	5.63	9.2
September	1,329.0	2.147	2.383	1.107	31.25	40.88	5.27	5.59	5.66	9.3
October	1,359.3	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	40.46	5.21	5.63	5.66	9.5
November	1,360.0	2.147	2.397	1.113	31.25	37.41	5.27	5.66	5.67	9.6
December	1,291.4	2.147	2.397	1.113	31.25	35.17	5.30	5.64	5.72	9.6
January	1,381.8	2.147	2.401	1.114	31.25	34.94	5.41	5.65	5.72	9.6
February	1,389.5	2.147	2.450	1.116	31.25	34.99	5.45	5.67	5.70	9.7
March	1,383.4	2.147	2.406	1.117	31.25	35.09	5.85	6.00	6.20	9.8
April	(j)1,471.9	2.147	2.406	1.117	31.25	35.62	6.45	6.52	6.20	9.8
May		2.147	2.404	1.116	31.25	35.95	6.45	6.55	6.60	

(a) Revised series. Source: Reserve Bank, Gold and net foreign assets, official and banking institutions. See page 205, Reserve Bank of Australia Statistical Bulletin, February 1970, for a description of this series. All figures as at end of period. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$US. (i) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (j) Official reserve assets \$1,342.8 million, other foreign assets \$129.1 million.

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(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

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INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

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August	1,300.9	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	39.19	4.83	5.11	5.25	9.2
September	1,309.3	2.147	2.388	1.108	31.25	40.19	4.83	5.12	5.25	9.1
October	1,348.2	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	39.21	4.82	5.13	5.25	9.1
November	1,402.5	2.147	2.387	1.109	31.25	39.78	4.72	4.89	5.02	9.2
December	1,374.8	2.147	2.384	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.68	4.91	5.03	9.3
January	1,422.5	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	42.30	4.70	4.92	5.04	9.3
February	1,516.3	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	42.60	4.75	4.92	5.04	9.2
March	1,503.5	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	43.16	4.78	4.93	5.04	9.3
April	1,548.9	2.147	2.392	1.111	31.25	43.26	4.90	4.96	5.07	9.2
May	1,571.9	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	43.46	4.91	5.10	5.14	9.3
June	1,513.7	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	41.44	5.01	5.35	5.48	9.3
1969-70—										
July	1,453.5	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	41.76	5.05	5.53	5.56	9.3
August	1,385.7	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.10	5.07	5.55	5.63	9.2
September	1,329.0	2.147	2.383	1.107	31.25	40.88	5.27	5.59	5.66	9.3
October	1,359.3	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	40.46	5.21	5.63	5.66	9.5
November	1,360.0	2.147	2.397	1.113	31.25	37.41	5.27	5.66	5.67	9.6
December	1,291.4	2.147	2.397	1.113	31.25	35.17	5.30	5.64	5.72	9.6
January	1,381.8	2.147	2.401	1.114	31.25	34.94	5.41	5.65	5.72	9.6
February	1,389.5	2.147	2.450	1.116	31.25	34.99	5.45	5.67	5.70	9.7
March	1,383.4	2.147	2.406	1.117	31.25	35.09	5.85	6.00	6.20	9.8
April	(j) 1,471.9	2.147	2.406	1.117	31.25	35.62	6.45	6.52	6.20	9.8
May		2.147	2.404	1.116	31.25	35.95	6.45	6.55	6.60	

(a) Revised series. Source: Reserve Bank, Gold and net foreign assets, official and banking institutions. See page 205, Reserve Bank of Australia Statistical Bulletin, February 1970, for a description of this series. All figures as at end of period. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$US. (i) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (j) Official reserve assets \$1,342.8 million, other foreign assets \$129.1 million.

INTEREST RATES

(Per cent per annum)

Date of change in rate	Trading banks—								Savings bank deposits (predominant rate)	Commonwealth loans (long-term)
	Fixed deposits—						Overdrafts (maximum rate)—major trading banks			
	30 days but less than 3 months(a)	3 months but less than 12 months	12 months but less than 18 months	18 months	Over 18 months to 24 months					
1965—										
1 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	(b)3.50	5.00		
13 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	(b)3.50	5.25		
1966—										
17 August	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.50	7.25	(b)3.50	5.25		
1968—										
27 June	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	(b)3.50	5.25		
1 August	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	(b)3.75	5.25		
14 October	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	(b)3.75	5.25		
7 November	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	(b)3.75	5.40		
1969—										
10 July	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	(b)3.75	6.00		
		3 months but less than 6 months	6 months but less than 12 months	12 months but less than 18 months	18 months to 24 months					
		(a) (c)	(a) (c)	(a) (c)	(a) (c)					
1 August	4.70	4.80 4.50	4.90 4.50	5.00 4.70	5.00 5.00	7.75	(b)3.75	6.00		
	30 days to 24 months (d) (e)	3 months but less than 12 months (e) (f)	12 months but less than 18 months (e) (f)	18 months to 24 months(e) (f)						
1970—										
9 March	5.50	4.80	5.00	5.30		8.25	(b)3.75	6.00		
1 April	5.50	4.80	5.00	5.30		8.25	up to 5.00	6.00		
14 May	5.50	4.80	5.00	5.30		8.25	up to 5.00	7.00		

(a) On deposits of \$100,000 and over. (b) The trustee savings banks and two State savings banks offer slightly higher rates. (c) On deposits of less than \$100,000. (d) On deposits of \$50,000 and over. (e) Maximum rate. (f) On deposit of less than \$50,000.

COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES

(\$ million)

Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total	Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total
30 June—					1968—69—				
1960	402.0	..	27.3	374.7	30 November	589.0	354.2	(a)84.6	1,027.8
1961	372.0	..	28.8	343.2	31 December	664.0	390.0	(a)98.1	1,152.1
1962	416.0	..	18.8	397.2	31 January	527.0	552.4	(a)48.5	1,127.9
1963	246.0	138.8	19.9	365.1	28 February	301.0	573.4	(a)82.2	956.6
1964	178.0	152.6	20.9	309.7	31 March	222.0	526.9	(a)86.3	835.1
1965	116.0	80.4	24.5	172.0	30 April	83.0	350.4	(a)81.7	515.1
1966	80.0	116.1	24.8	171.3	31 May	8.0	254.7	(a)63.4	326.0
1967	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5	30 June	14.0	205.4	25.4	194.0
1968	141.0	273.7	25.6	389.2					
1969	14.0	205.4	25.4	194.0	1969—70—				
1967—68—					31 July	21.0	271.2	(a)118.5	410.7
31 March	164.0	631.3	(a)56.7	852.0	31 August	201.0	279.8	(a)109.5	590.3
30 April	55.0	385.6	(a)71.8	512.4	30 September	223.0	351.5	(a)103.2	677.6
31 May	47.0	299.2	(a)73.7	420.0	31 October	430.0	281.5	(a)75.0	786.5
30 June	141.0	273.7	25.6	389.2	30 November	552.0	306.0	(a)47.9	905.9
1968—69—					31 December	781.0	272.0	(a)36.9	1,089.9
31 July	182.0	253.7	(a)45.8	481.5	31 January	679.0	377.3	(a)65.1	1,121.4
31 August	266.0	277.7	(a)93.6	637.3	28 February	501.0	460.1	(a)92.5	1,053.6
30 September	283.0	343.7	(a)114.0	740.7	31 March	457.0	697.7	(a)80.2	1,234.9
31 October	441.0	345.5	(a)77.5	864.0	30 April	279.0	433.5	(a)34.4	747.0
					31 May	114.0	322.2	(a)66.8	503.0

(a) Overdraft.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million)

Period	New South Wales(a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Six States	Commonwealth	Grand total(b)
Revenue									
1964-65	729.1	480.7	267.1	214.2	180.1	75.8	1,947.1	4,418.2	5,587.2
1965-66	771.6	508.6	294.5	228.8	206.7	84.9	2,095.1	4,879.2	6,080.2
1966-67	830.7	559.6	323.8	250.8	228.1	93.8	2,286.9	5,227.7	6,545.5
1967-68	888.1	601.3	357.2	264.5	250.7	101.5	2,463.4	5,760.5	7,174.2
1968-69	966.7	664.2	387.9	287.4	275.1	106.7	2,687.9	6,085.8	7,646.3
1969-70 (Estimated)	1,055.2	709.3	423.1	311.5	310.7	120.4	2,930.2	6,875.0	8,570.3
1967-68—									
July-March	641.5	387.8	280.2	194.2	181.0	71.7	1,756.4	3,511.0	4,493.2
July-April	715.6	436.8	308.7	214.4	200.5	78.6	1,954.5	4,326.3	5,420.4
July-May	789.1	498.4	337.0	237.7	223.0	85.4	2,170.5	5,035.4	6,258.8
1968-69—									
July-March	694.5	435.9	280.9	207.9	198.1	75.9	1,893.1	3,665.6	4,710.3
July-April	775.0	489.7	311.3	229.3	219.3	83.3	2,107.9	4,498.2	5,665.0
July-May	852.4	555.3	343.1	254.6	240.7	90.6	2,336.7	5,210.1	6,538.6
1969-70—									
July-March	777.5	464.6	322.1	233.5	230.0	85.0	2,112.5	4,151.6	5,332.3
July-April	870.3	521.9	356.3	258.7	255.7	94.1	2,357.1	5,197.9	6,519.6
July-May	950.2	591.8	390.9	287.0	279.6	102.5	2,602.0	5,987.5	7,459.0
Expenditure									
1964-65	734.2	480.7	271.2	216.8	184.8	77.4	1,965.1	4,418.2	5,605.2
1965-66	776.3	516.7	298.0	235.7	206.7	86.9	2,120.3	4,879.2	6,105.4
1966-67	833.8	559.6	323.5	250.7	228.2	94.4	2,290.3	5,227.7	6,548.8
1967-68	887.6	604.1	356.2	267.4	249.9	103.3	2,468.6	5,760.5	7,179.5
1968-69	970.3	666.6	388.8	286.9	276.1	110.4	2,699.1	6,085.8	7,657.6
1969-70 (Estimated)	1,061.6	729.7	425.4	313.6	313.1	122.3	2,965.7	6,875.0	8,605.8
1967-68—									
July-March	639.4	428.3	269.1	193.3	176.1	76.8	1,783.1	4,081.1	5,090.0
July-April	705.8	476.6	299.1	214.5	194.8	84.7	1,975.5	4,452.2	5,567.3
July-May	802.2	538.8	331.3	240.8	220.4	94.8	2,228.3	5,035.4	6,316.7
1968-69—									
July-March	699.2	465.7	273.6	206.6	195.9	84.3	1,925.5	4,190.4	5,267.5
July-April	782.1	520.4	308.8	230.6	217.7	92.9	2,152.5	4,677.6	5,888.9
July-May	882.6	588.7	343.9	256.9	243.8	102.5	2,418.4	5,211.5	6,621.7
1969-70—									
July-March	765.7	515.1	321.2	226.5	224.7	89.8	2,143.0	4,628.0	5,839.2
July-April	861.0	577.7	360.9	254.0	252.3	99.7	2,405.7	5,197.9	6,568.3
July-May	950.2	651.8	398.3	285.6	281.1	112.7	2,679.7	5,987.8	7,528.7

(a) Figures for New South Wales represent combined transactions of consolidated revenue fund and business undertakings—railways, tramways, omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. New South Wales monthly figures have also been adjusted to exclude debt charges recouped by business undertakings outside the budget. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications.

(b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payment to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State consolidated revenue funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and national welfare fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.

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